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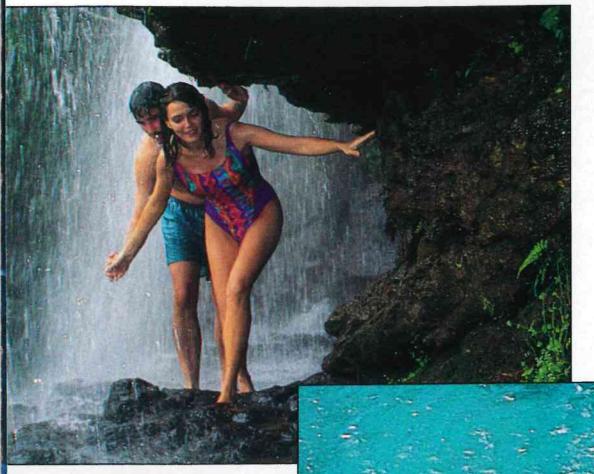
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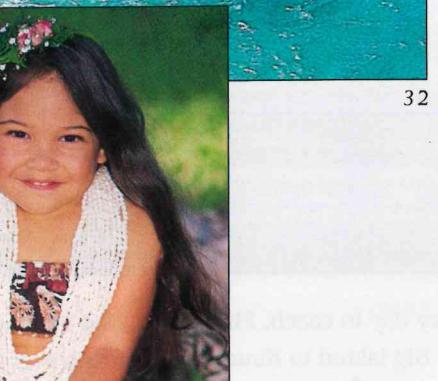
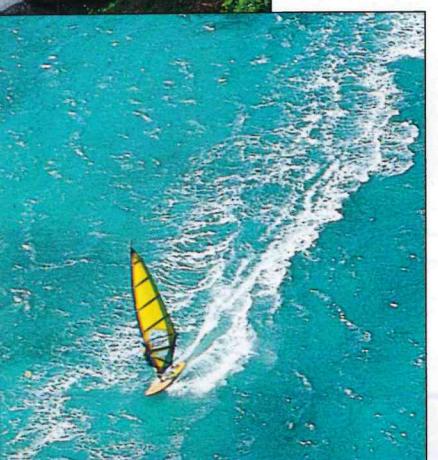


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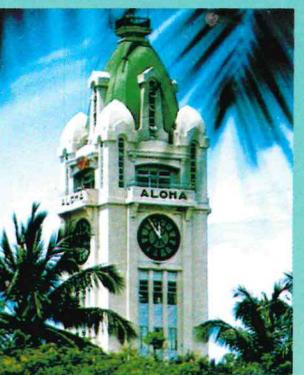
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TO ALOHA, THE MAGAZINE OF HAWAII AND THE PACIFIC**

November 1997

On behalf of the people of the State of Hawaii, I am pleased to send my greetings, and warmest aloha, to the publisher of *ALOHA, the Magazine of Hawaii and the Pacific* and its many readers.

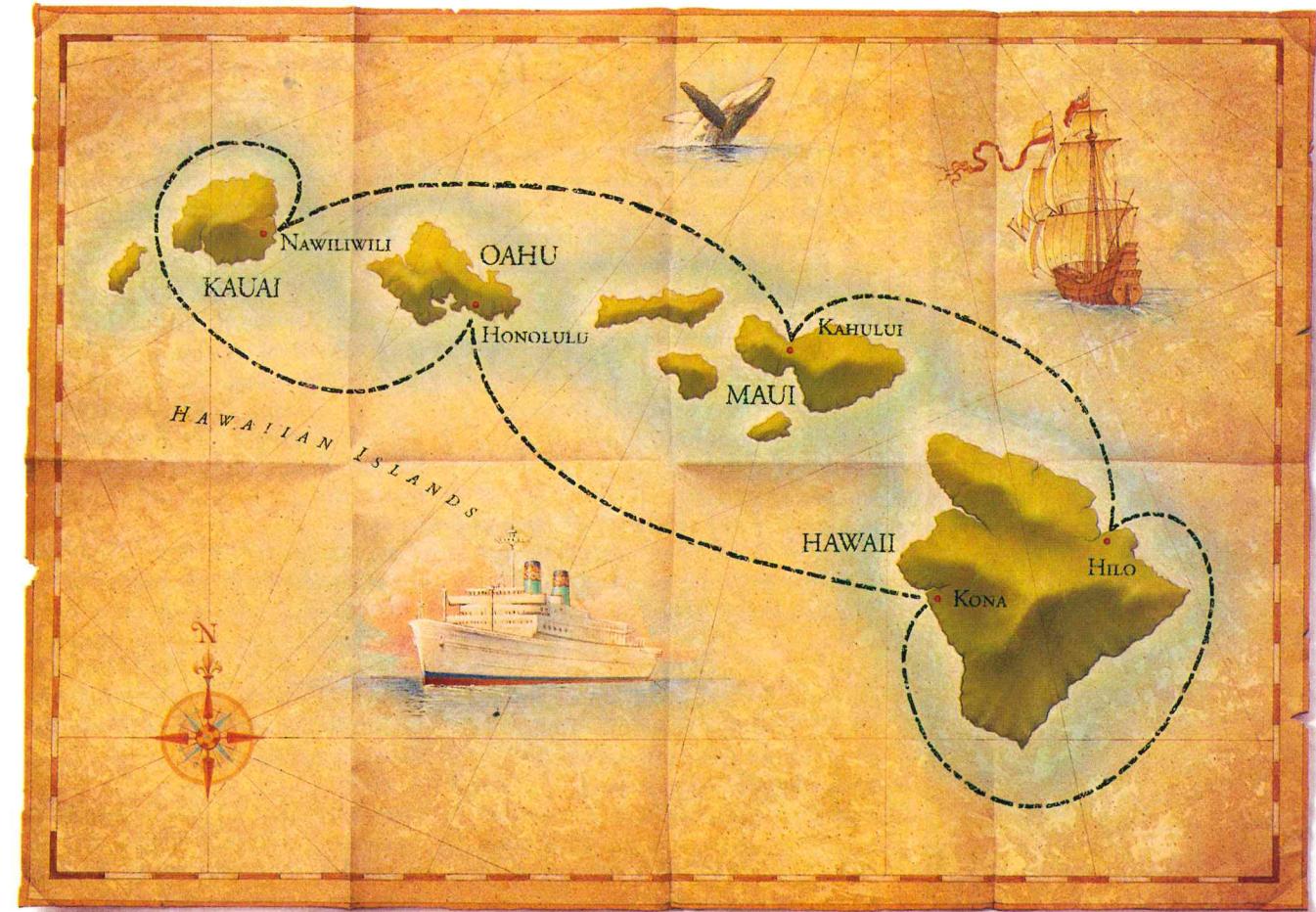
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## CALENDAR

The definitive guide to festivals, musical and theatrical events, major sports happenings, art exhibitions and fund-raisers in Hawai'i. (Note: Please call event phone number in advance, as dates, times and locations are subject to change.)

### NOVEMBER

1

FROM BENTO TO MIXED PLATE, Bishop Museum, Honolulu, O'ahu. Special exhibit tracing the evolution of the Japanese-American culture in Hawai'i, including artifacts, family photographs and first-person accounts. Daily, 9 A.M.-5 P.M. Admission. 847-3511. Through Jan. 4, 1998. From Oct. 24.

1, 2

LĀNA'I PINE SPORTING CLAYS GRAND OPENING SHOOT, Lāna'i Pine Sporting Clays, Lāna'i. Debut clay shooting competition featuring cash prizes for both competitors and spectators. Nov. 1, qualifying rounds, Skin Stand event, paniolo cookout and benefit auction. Nov. 2, Sporting Skins event. Call for times. Admission. 565-3800.

1-8

KONA COFFEE CULTURAL FESTIVAL, various sites on the Island of Hawai'i. Annual festival celebrating the Kona Coffee industry. Events include a coffee-picking contest, healthy baby contest, coffee farm tours, steak fry and auction, golf tournament, a farm fair, parade and scholarship pageant. Call for times. Free. 326-7820.

1-12

UNENDING PATH: PAINTINGS BY HUANG ZHONGFANG, Honolulu Academy of Arts, Honolulu, O'ahu. Art retrospective of more than seventy landscape paintings by Hong Kong artist Huang Zhongfang. Tues.-Sat., 10 A.M.-4:30 P.M.; Sun., 1-5 P.M. Admission. 532-8700. From Sept. 24.

1-23

CROSSINGS '97: FRANCE/HAWAII, various sites on O'ahu. International art exhibit—held in conjunction with the French Festival—featuring the works of twenty-eight contemporary French artists, including Sophie Calle, Jacques Vieille, Annette Messager, Christian Boltanski and Sarkis. Call for times. Free admission at some locations. 956-6888. From Oct. 4.

1, 2, 6-9

THE SEARCH FOR SIGNS OF INTELLIGENT LIFE IN THE UNIVERSE, Diamond Head Theater, Honolulu, O'ahu. Diamond Head Theater production of the one-woman comedy featuring seventeen different characterizations. 8 P.M. (Sun. at 4 P.M.) Admission. 734-0274. From Oct. 24.

2

DESSERT FANTASY, Honolulu Club, Honolulu, O'ahu. Annual fund-raiser featuring tastings of Hawai'i's finest dessert creations. Proceeds benefit the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Hawai'i. Noon-3 P.M. Admission. 532-6744.

2, 4

TCHAIKOVSKY: PATHETIQUE, Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall, Honolulu, O'ahu. Halekūlani Classical MasterWorks series performance by the Honolulu Symphony, featuring guest conductor Enrique Diemecke and violinist Eugene Fodor. Sun., 4 P.M.; Tues., 7:30 P.M. Admission. 538-8863.

3, 10

HAWAIIAN DANCE TRADITIONS, Bishop Museum, Honolulu, O'ahu. Lecture series featuring discussions on kumu hula and their roles in preserving the traditions of Hawaiian dance. Call for times. Admission. 847-3511.

6-9

LINCOLN-MERCURY KAPALUA INTERNATIONAL, Kapalua's Bay and Plantation Courses, Kapalua, Maui. Annual PGA Tour event featuring pro-am and professional competitions. Call for times. 669-2440. Event to be televised on ABC and ESPN.

7-14

HAWAII INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL, various locations on O'ahu. Annual film festival showcasing films from Asia and the Pacific Rim. Call for locations and times. Free. 528-3456. Neighbor Island dates: Nov. 14-20.

8

TARO FESTIVAL, Honoka'a County Gym Complex, Honoka'a, island of Hawai'i. Annual event spotlighting the nutritious taro plant, featuring a poi-eating contest, craft and food booths, entertainment and exhibits. Honoka'a County Gym Complex, Honoka'a, island of Hawai'i. Call for times. Free. 775-0233.

12-23

OP PRO, Ali'i Beach Park, Hale'iwa, O'ahu. First leg of the annual Triple

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13-15

WINTER WINE ESCAPE, Mauna Kea Beach Hotel and Hāpuna Beach Hotel, Kohala Coast, island of Hawai'i. Annual food and wine festival featuring wine tastings, food demonstrations, seminars, panel discussions, gala dinners, entertainment, and a produce and art fair. Call for times. Admission. (800) 882-6060.

14, 15

BERNADETTE PETERS: ON BROADWAY TONIGHT, Neal Blaisdell Concert Hall, Honolulu, O'ahu. United Airlines Pops series performance by the Honolulu Symphony, featuring guest conductor Stuart Chafetz and special guest Bernadette Peters. 7:30 P.M. Admission. 538-8863. Also a special benefit performance on Nov. 16 at Kahilu Theater, Waimea, island of Hawai'i, at 7:30 P.M.

14, 15

CHRISTMAS CRAFT "EG" STRAVAGANZA,

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MASTERCARD PGA GRAND SLAM '97, Po'ipū Bay Golf Course and Hyatt Regency Kaua'i Resort & Spa, Po'ipū, Kaua'i. Annual thirty-six-hole golf event featuring the winners of 1997's four major PGA championships, including Masters champion Tiger Woods and U.S. Open winner Ernie Els. Call for times. Admission. (800) 742-8258. Event to be televised on TBS.

21-23

CHRISTMAS HOUSE, Hui No'eau Visual Arts Center, Makawao, Maui. Annual Christmas craft fair featuring ornaments, clothing, toys, dolls, wreaths, plants, jewelry, ceramics, cards, wrapping paper and more for sale. Proceeds benefit the art center's community art programs. 10 A.M.-4 P.M. Donation. 572-6560.

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WALK TO CURE DIABETES, Kapi'olani Park, Waikīkī, O'ahu. Annual 5K chari-

ty walk around the park, with proceeds benefitting the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, which strives to find a cure for diabetes. 7 A.M. Donation. 988-1000.

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RIP CURL WORLD CUP OF SURFING AND QUIKSILVER ROXY PRO, Sunset Beach, North Shore, O'ahu. Men's and women's surfing competitions (the second leg of the annual Triple Crown of Surfing). Call for times. The four days of competition are to be determined by best surf conditions. Free to spectators. 325-7400. Through Dec. 6.

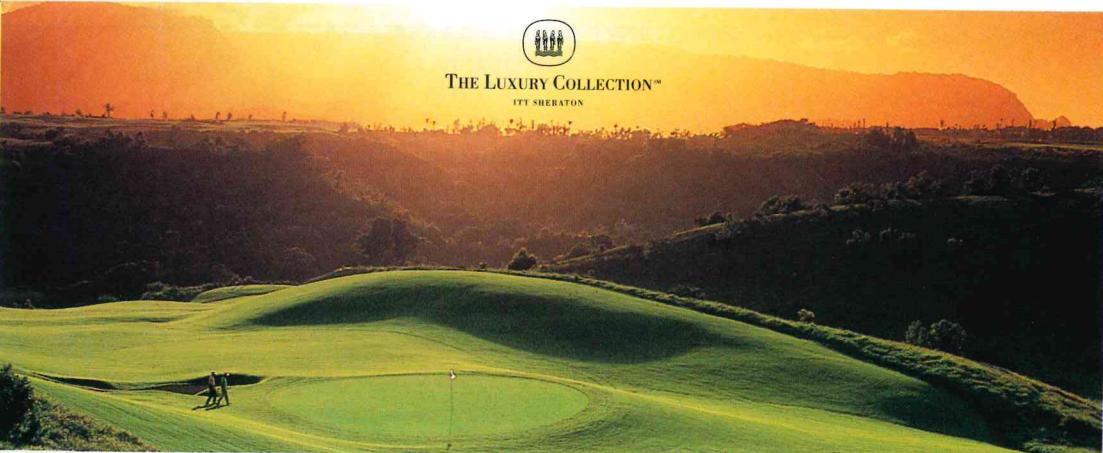
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MAUI INVITATIONAL, Lahaina Civic Center, Lahaina, Maui. Annual eight-team college basketball tournament featuring defending national champion Arizona, Kentucky, Duke, Missouri, DePaul, Boston College, George Washington and host Chaminade University. Call for times. Admission. 735-4790.

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A TUNA CHRISTMAS, Mānoa Valley Theater, Mānoa, O'ahu. Mānoa Valley Theater production of the sequel to Greater Tuna, featuring the exploits of the colorful characters of Tuna, Texas.

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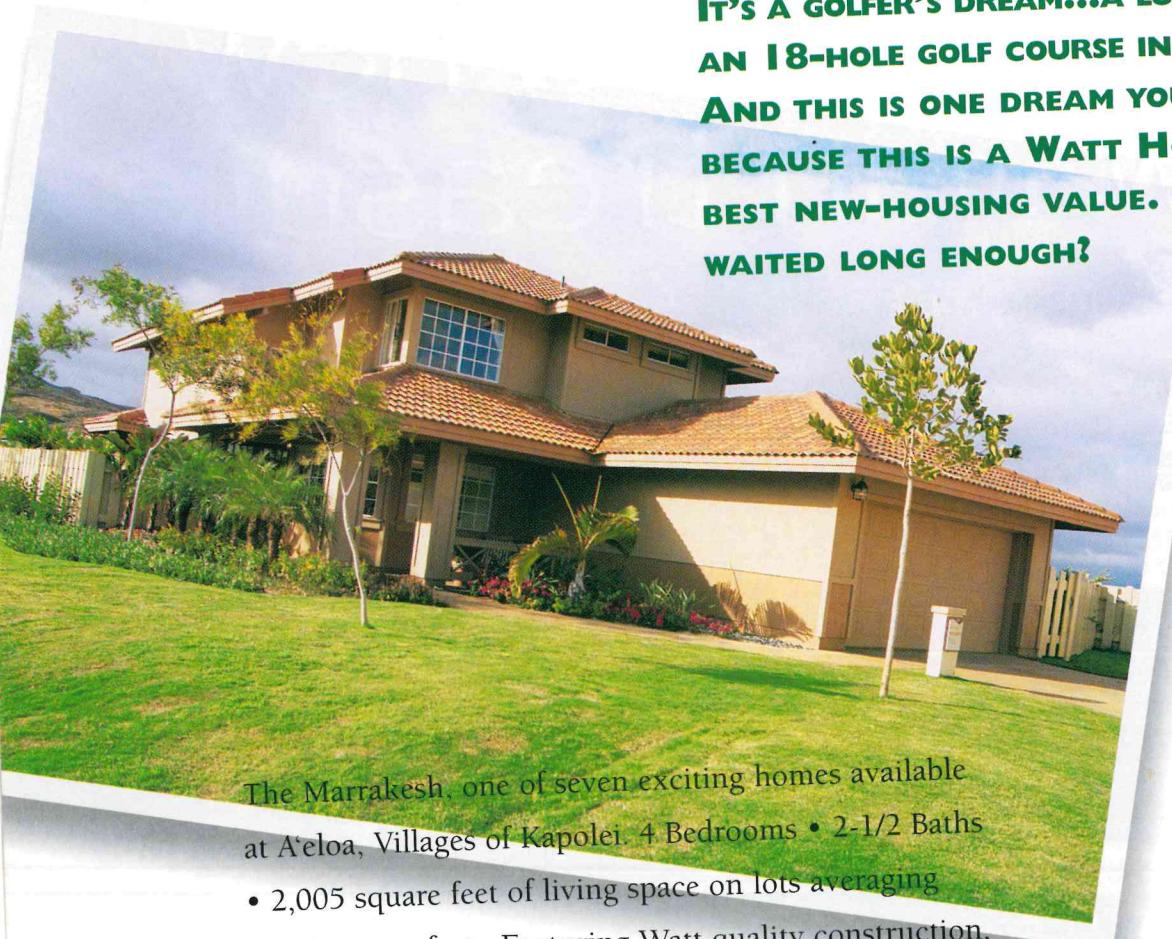


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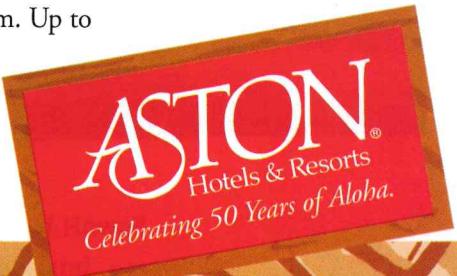
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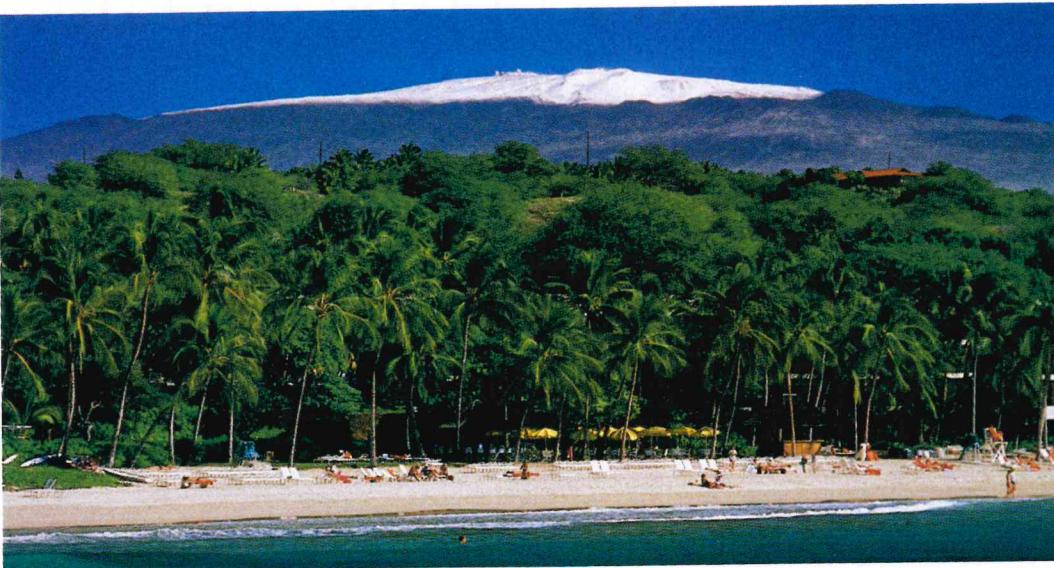


**H**er eyes followed the cascading water that fell from Rainbow Falls. Through the ferns, she watched it tumble and create a fog-like mist on top of the pool below.

The next day, she stood in the middle of a centuries-old lava flow, looked down and noticed an ancient Hawaiian stick figure, called a petroglyph, carved into a rock. One person from pre-history made his mark here. And she, untold generations later, saw it. And she marveled at the symmetry of life.

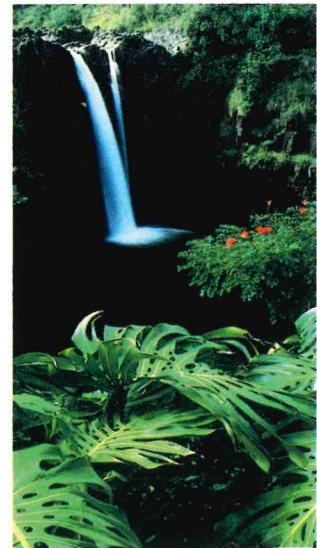
## She used to think about *tiny cocktail umbrellas* **WHEN**

In Hilo, within just a few short hours, they walked through a Japanese church, a Chinese cemetery, had lunch in a Korean restaurant and shopped for Asian antiques. She thought to herself that the Big Island is certainly a small world.

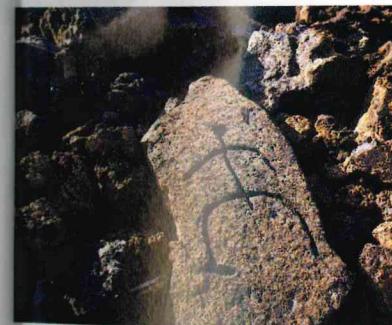


Later that week, they drove the old and twisting road down to Milolii, the last of the old-style Hawaiian fishing villages. In talking to the fishermen, she found herself unable to look away from their magnificently carved faces. And to herself, she kept repeating, "this is the way it really was."

One afternoon, taking a break from her book on the beach, she looked with astonishment at the four huge volcanic mountains which nearly surrounded her. Broad-shouldered Mauna Loa and Hualalai, snow-capped Mauna Kea and cloud-shrouded Haleakala, across the channel on Maui. In a way, it made her feel insignificant. Yet in another way, it crystalized her feeling about Hawaii's Big Island.



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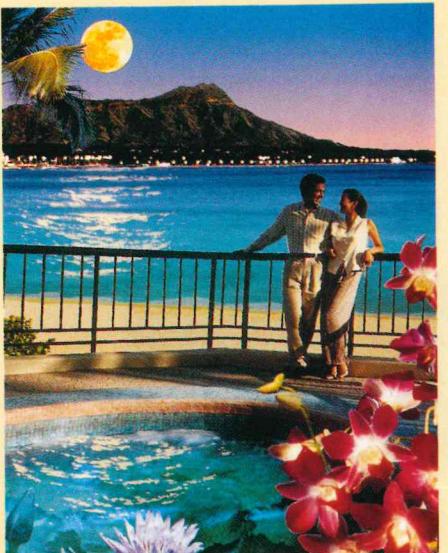
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## WHAT'S NEW, WHAT'S HOT



The Hawaiian Heirloom Jewelry Museum provides intriguing insights into the history of the prized, distinctive jewelry.

### A JEWEL OF A MUSEUM

Jewelry lovers around the world know the beauty and fine craftsmanship of Hawaiian heirloom jewelry—exquisite gold creations accented with black enamel engravings. The jewelry has a proud history, and it can now be relived by visiting the Hawaiian Heirloom Jewelry Museum in Waikiki.

Owner Phil Rickard describes the museum as "a very special place that traces the emotional and mechanical history of this world-famous jewelry." Located at the Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center (Ilma Court, third floor), the museum houses several intriguing exhibits and photos detailing the history and evolution of Hawaiian heirloom jewelry, including an authentic nineteenth-century jeweler's work bench area complete with tools and equipment. Also displayed are modern-day tools used in the manufacturing of the jewelry.

Right next door to the museum is the Hawaiian Heirloom Jewelry Factory, where you can actually view master jewelers handcrafting Hawaiian jewelry. In addition, *Hawaiian Heirloom Jewelry: A Lasting Remembrance*, an authoritative book on the subject authored by Rickard, is available for purchase.

The Hawaiian Heirloom Jewelry Museum is open daily from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. The Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center is located at 2301 Kalakaua Avenue. Call 924-7972.

### MAKING A BIG SPLASH

Everyone knows dolphins are smarter than the average mammal. In fact, they're even the principals of their own university—Splash U! Enrollment is

open to the public, and akamai visitors can earn a degree in "Dolphinology."

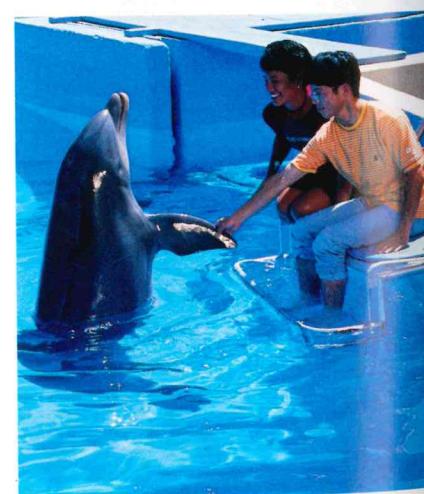
Splash U is the latest offering to guests at Sea Life Park, home to dolphins, sea lions, sharks, rays, reef fish, penguins, sea turtles and a false killer whale. Splash U students get to touch, teach and interact with bottlenose dolphins, as well as learn how the park's trainers teach dolphins various behaviors, such as jumping, spinning, dancing and "talking."

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Sea Life Park is open daily from 9:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. For more information or to book Splash U reservations, call 259-7933.

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Visitors can make several "finny" friends at Sea Life Park's Splash U!



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#### GOOD EATS

Hawai'i's dining scene keeps getting bigger and better. A pair of popular restaurant chains made their Honolulu debuts this past summer.

Business is "bloomin'" at the Outback Steakhouse, which opened this past summer at the former site of the Royal Marina Theaters in Waikiki. The "Down Under"-themed restaurant is lively, colorful and full of light-hearted fun. For example, while other eateries have appetizers, Outback serves "Aussie-Tizers," including its signature dish, Bloomin' Onion (a starter that's

hailed as an "Outback Ab-original").

Popular menu entrées include Brisbane Shrimp Sauté (seasoned and sautéed shrimp with mushrooms, served over fettuccine in a light herb sauce); Rockhampton Rib-Eye (a fourteen-ounce rib-eye steak); Chicken on the Barbie (seasoned and grilled chicken breast served with barbecue sauce and veggies); and Botany Bay Fish O' the Day (fresh catch of the day, lightly seasoned and grilled). From the dessert menu, be sure to try the heavenly Cheesecake Oliva, served with a choice of raspberry or caramel sauce!

Entrée prices range from \$9.99 to \$21.99. Outback Steakhouse, located at 1765 Ala Moana Boulevard, is open daily from 3:30 to 11:00 P.M. (till 10:00 P.M. on Sundays). Call 951-6274.

Meanwhile, Palomino restaurant is fast becoming a kama'āina favorite at Harbor Court in downtown Honolulu, serving Mediterranean-inspired, Euro-dining specialties created by Chef Fred DeAngelo. Located at the top of Harbor Court's grand staircase, Palomino boasts terrific views of Honolulu Harbor and offers a pleasant and elegant atmosphere.



Lunch entrées, ranging from \$5.95 to \$14.95, include Roma-Style Pizzas, Wood Oven-Roasted Prawns, 'Ōpaka-paka with Mushroom Stuffing, Spit-Roasted Garlic Chicken, Kiawe-Grilled Seafood Ravioli and Cedar Plank Salmon. Dinner entrées, priced from \$9.95 to \$26.95, include Shutome Romesco with Cinnamon Cous Cous, Kiawe-Grilled Atlantic Salmon, Honey-Crusted Beef Tenderloin and Spit-Roasted Lamb Shanks.

In addition, Palomino's fifty-foot bar, made of marble and mahogany, is stocked with an extensive selection of wines and microbrewery beers.

Palomino is open weekdays for lunch (11:15 A.M.-2:30 P.M.) and nightly for dinner (5-10 P.M.). Valet and validated parking are available. Call 528-2400.

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Wed. and Thurs., 7:30 P.M.; Fri. and Sat., 8 P.M.; Sun., 4 P.M. Admission. 988-6131. Through Dec. 14.

**28, 29**  
MOLOKA'I RANCH RODEO/STEW COOK OFF, Moloka'i Ranch, Maunaloa, Moloka'i. Annual event featuring riders and ropers from around the U.S. in rodeo competition. Also features live entertainment and a stew recipe contest (Nov. 29). Call for times. Admission. 552-2741.

**28, 30**  
UNITED AIRLINES TIPOFF TOURNAMENT, Special Events Arena, University of Hawai'i-Mānoa, Mānoa, O'ahu. Collegiate basketball tournament featuring Indiana, Illinois State, Northeast Louisiana and host Hawai'i. 7 and 9 P.M. Admission. 956-4481.

**29**  
WARD SANTA PARADE, 'Auahi Street, Honolulu, O'ahu. Annual Christmas parade featuring the Royal Hawaiian Band, children's choirs, hula hālau, high school marching bands, clowns, Christmas carolers and Santa Claus. 6:30 P.M. Free. 591-8411.

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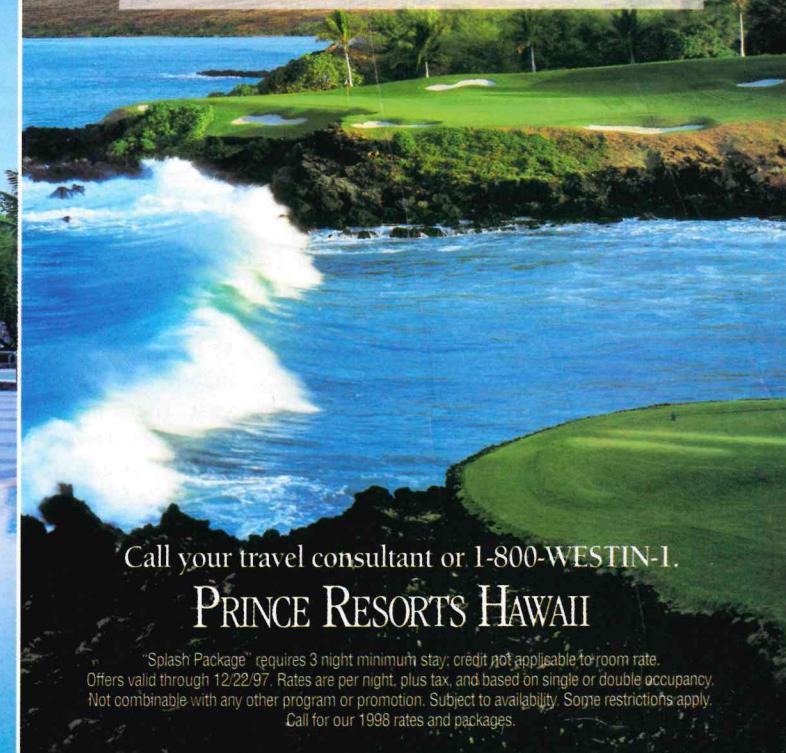
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When measured from its submarine base to its peak, Mauna Kea on the Big Island is the tallest mountain in the world with a total height of 33,480 feet, 13,796 feet appearing above sea level.

The highest sea cliffs in the world are on the north coast of Moloka'i near Umilehi Point. They descend 3,300 feet to the sea at an average incline of more than fifty-five degrees.

With a dome measuring seventy-five miles long and thirty-one miles wide above sea level, 13,680-foot-high Mauna Loa is the largest active volcano in the world.

Mount Waialeale on Kaua'i (elevation: 5,148 feet) has the most rainy days of any place in the world—up to 350 a year.

Founded in 1831, Lahainaluna School on Maui is the oldest school west of the Rocky Mountains.

Tolani Palace on O'ahu, built in 1882, is the only royal palace on American soil.

More than a third of the birds and plants on the United States endangered and threatened species list are native to the Hawaiian Islands. Conservationists call Hawai'i "the endangered species capital of the nation."

Although Hawai'i is best known for its eight main islands (O'ahu, Maui, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, Kaua'i, the Big Island, Kaho'olawe and Ni'ihau), the state actually encompasses 132 islands, reefs and shoals that stretch 1,523 miles, from Kure Atoll to underwater seamounts off the southeast coast of the Big Island. The islands of Midway, however, are administered by the United States Navy and are not part of the state of Hawai'i.

Babe Ruth, Amelia Earhart and former President Franklin D. Roosevelt are among the luminaries who planted banyan trees on Banyan Drive in Hilo during the early 1930s.

Ka Lae—also known as South Point—on the Big Island is the southernmost point in the United States.

You've heard of white sand and black sand beaches, but we bet you haven't seen green or red sand! Green Sand Beach, located about three miles east of South Point on the Big Island, got its name from the greenish tint of volcanic olivine crystals in the sand. The red sand at Kaihalulu Beach in Hāna gets its color from red volcanic cinder.

Sea Life Park, located in Makap'u on O'ahu, is home to Kekaimalu, the world's only wholphin—a cross between a false killer whale and an Atlantic bottle-nosed dolphin.

Diamond Head, O'ahu's most famous landmark, got its name when nineteenth-century British sailors thought they had discovered diamonds inside the crater. The "diamonds" actually turned out to be worthless calcite crystals.

The summit depression of Haleakalā on Maui is twenty-one miles wide and 4,000 feet deep, making it large enough to hold the island of Manhattan.

Hawai'i residents consume approximately four million cans of SPAM every year; that's more than 10,900 cans of SPAM per day—three-and-a-half times as much as any other state.

The silversword plant is unique to Hawai'i and is found only on Haleakalā on Maui, and Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa on the Big Island.

More than fifty movies and television

shows have been shot on Kaua'i since 1933 including *Blue Hawai'i*, *Donovan's Reef* and *South Pacific*. Recent filmed-on-Kaua'i Hollywood blockbusters include *Jurassic Park*, *Lost World: Jurassic Park*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *Outbreak* and *Honeymoon in Vegas*.

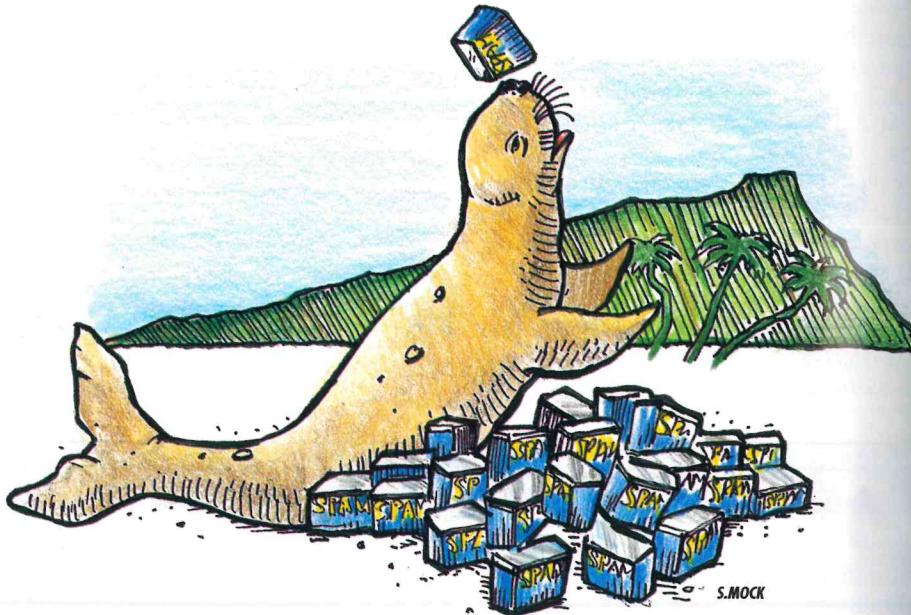
The first two mammals to settle in the Hawaiian Islands were the hoary bat (on land) and the monk seal (at sea).

The longest lei ever made in Hawai'i was 14,500 feet long. It was made of paper flowers and dedicated in 1994 to the victims of Hurricane Iniki.

Anyone who removes lava rocks from the Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park supposedly will be plagued with bad luck. Each year more than 2,000 pounds of lava rocks are mailed back to park headquarters by guilty visitors sharing their misfortunes and apologies to the volcano goddess, Pele.

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## INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT HAWAII'



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### DECEMBER

4-7

FESTIVAL OF TREES, The Ward Warehouse, Honolulu, O'ahu. Annual Christmas craft fair featuring Christmas trees, ornaments, wreaths, crafts and gift items for sale. Proceeds benefit the Queen's Medical Center. Thur. (Patron Night), 6-8 P.M.; Fri. and Sat., 10 A.M.-8 P.M.; Sun., 10 A.M.-3 P.M. Admission: 538-9011.

5

NA MELE O MAUI, Kāanapali Resort, Kāanapali, Maui. Annual Hawaiian event featuring a song competition (Maui Marriott, 9 A.M.) and hula performances (Westin Maui, call for time). Admission: 661-3271.

6

HONOLULU CITY LIGHTS, Honolulu Hale, Honolulu, O'ahu. Annual holiday celebration featuring a parade, entertainment and the lighting of Honolulu Hale's (City Hall's) forty-foot Christmas tree. 6 P.M. Free. 523-4385. Also, specially decorated Christmas trees and wreaths will be on display at Honolulu Hale, 8 A.M.-10 P.M., daily until Jan. 4, 1998.

6

SANTA COMES TO WAIKIKI, Aston Wailea Resort, Wailea, Maui. Santa Claus makes his annual arrival via outrigger canoe. 10 A.M. Free. 879-1922.

6, 7

PACIFIC HANDCRAFTERS GUILD CHRISTMAS FAIR, Thomas Square, Honolulu, O'ahu. Hawai'i's oldest annual craft fair, featuring food booths, entertainment, craft demonstrations, and a wide selection of arts and crafts for sale. 9 A.M.-4 P.M. Free. 254-6788.

6, 13, 20

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WITH SANTA, Old Spaghetti Factory, The Ward Warehouse, Honolulu, O'ahu. Keiki and parents can dine with Santa, with proceeds benefitting Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Call for times. Admission: 591-2513.

7, 14, 21

CHRISTMAS HULA SHOWS, The Ward Warehouse, Honolulu, O'ahu. Christmas performances by children's hālau. 1-2 P.M. Free. 591-8411.

8-20

CHIEMSEE GERRY LOPEZ PIPE MASTERS, Ehukai Beach Park, North Shore,

O'ahu. Third leg of the annual Triple Crown of Surfing Series, featuring the world's top surfers in the final World Championship Tour event of the year. Times and dates subject to the best surf conditions. Free to spectators. 638-7266.

12, 13

MOON OVER MŌ'ILI'ILI-CHRISTMAS MARKET, Japanese Cultural Center of Hawai'i, Honolulu, O'ahu. Fourth-annual holiday craft fair featuring hand-crafted works from more than ninety

Island artisans. Fri., 5-9 P.M.; Sat., 9 A.M.-2 P.M. Free. 945-7633.

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HONOLULU MARATHON, starts at Aloha Tower in Honolulu and ends at Kapi'olani Park, Waikiki, O'ahu. Annual 26.2-mile marathon featuring more than 25,000 runners from Hawai'i and around the world. 5 A.M. Entry fee: 734-7200.

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CHRISTMAS SONG CONTEST, Fountain

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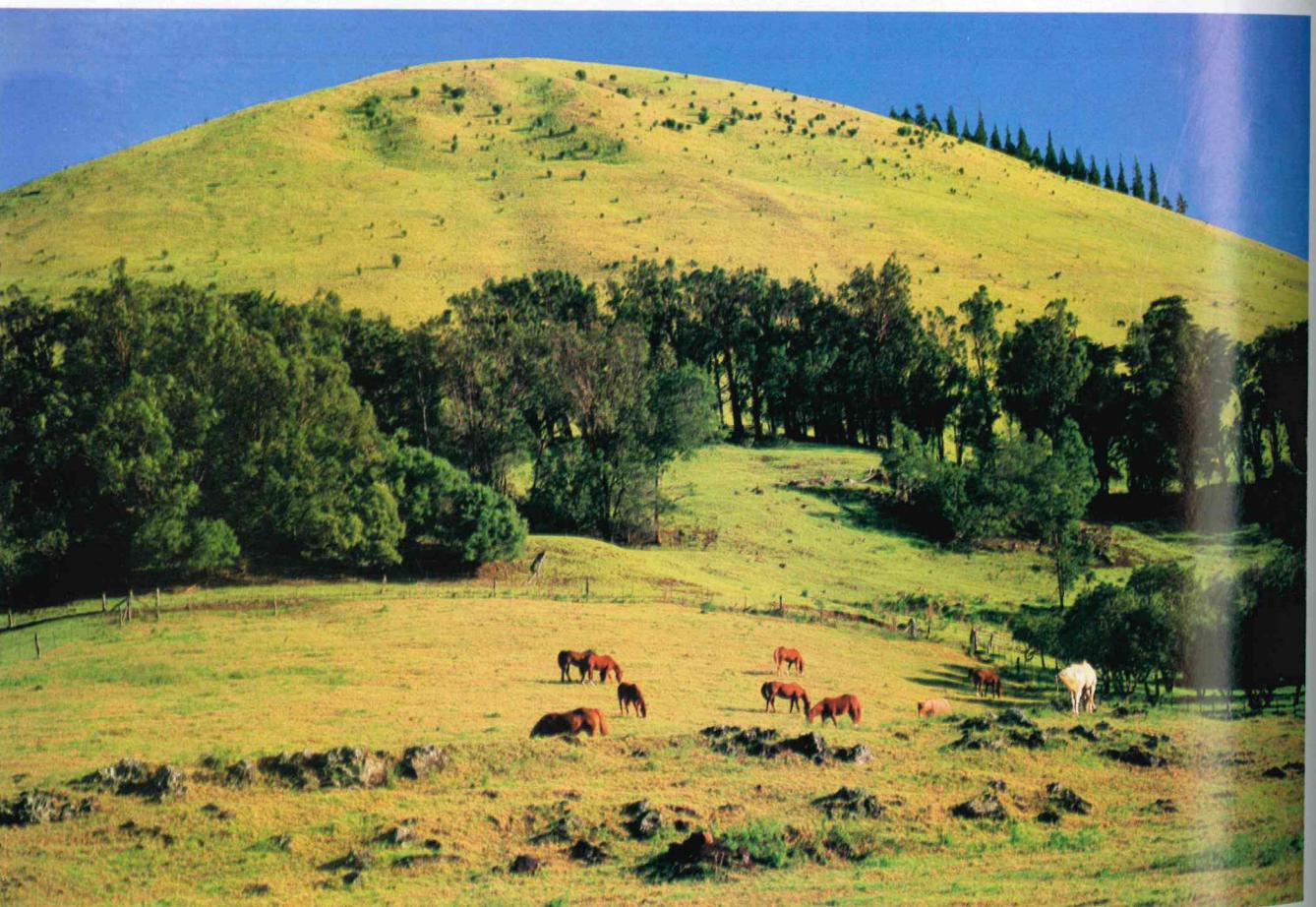


# *A Dialogue with the Land*

by Allan Seiden

The ancient Hawaiians regarded the 'āina, the land, with as much reverence as they did their gods. Today when we travel to the verdant valleys, the lush rain forests, the pristine beaches and the majestic mountains of our Island home, we, too, look upon them with wonder and awe. Volcano on the Big Island is an area whose mana is especially strong.





The sound was at once familiar and otherworldly, a cross between hissing steam and crashing waves. Irresistibly drawn toward the steaming crater, resisting the mental words of caution that told me to stay put, I had hiked a half-mile over fields of newly hardened lava, carefully testing each step with my walking stick to reassure myself that my path was safe.



ABOVE: Hapuu fern, Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, island of Hawai'i. Photo by David and Joy Richert. OPPOSITE PAGE, TOP: Spectacular view of Waimea Canyon, Kauai. BOTTOM: Pastoral country scene, Waimea, island of Hawai'i. Photos by Peter French. PREVIOUS SPREAD: Lava meets the sea at twilight, Puna, island of Hawai'i. Photo by Michael T. Stewart.

I dropped to my belly to crawl the last ten feet that separated me from the crater rim, too cautious to approach on foot. Poised on the fragile lip of creation, light-headed from the heat, fumes and the precariousness of my situation, I stared, wide-eyed, into the seething cauldron of earth-matter below.

It was not my first encounter with Kilauea Volcano, or the goddess Pele, whose spirit I believe inhabits the living earth that I found so compelling. My first encounter with Pele occurred in 1974. I had been in Hawai'i about five months, the last three of which had been spent in Hilo on the Big Island.

One day, I hiked to the 14,000-foot summit of Mauna Loa, where fate saved me from a fearful storm that overtook the mountain just as I reached the peak on what had been a vibrantly clear mid-summer day. I was hiking alone, always a risky proposition, and had not seen a soul since eight in the morning when I set out from the park cabin at Red Hill, about 10,000 feet up Mauna Loa's cratered slopes. At first, vast panoramas, painted in sweeping strokes of color,

ing Hawai'i's wilderness trails. Warmth quickly shifted to an assault of snow and wind, a desolate transformation made frightening by the thought that I would not be able to find the summit cabin where I had planned to spend the night.

Slowed by the impact of the altitude, I wandered about for more than an hour, straining for clues that would keep me on the path, an effort made all the more challenging once an unseen sunset cast the fog in a dim, dusky light. The flatness of the rock-strewn landscape seemed to offer no opportunities for shelter, making survival, not comfort, the main concern. Then, totally unexpectedly, the cabin revealed itself when I was not more than a few feet from its metal siding. Amazed and relieved, I stumbled in, lit a fire in the potbelly stove, ate a freeze-dried dinner, slipped into my sleeping bag and drifted into a deep slumber, safely sheltered from the elements that raged outside.

I awoke to blue skies and a silence that proved as profoundly definitive of the setting as was the cliff-top view into Moku'aweoweo, Mauna Loa's steaming caldera—a vast depression more than twenty miles in circumference, with 600-foot-high walls that fell in vertical decline from within twenty feet of the cabin door. I spent the day hiking the rampart, stopping for hours at a time where the view was too compelling to be ignored.

Soon after my five-day excursion to Moku'aweoweo, Kilauea erupted. From a vantage point on the rim, I spent an entire day watching the pyrotechnics of a 100-foot-high wall of fire more than two miles long that dissected the crater floor.

During the twenty-three years since that August day, Kilauea has provided me with many opportunities to see Pele in action. Not every encounter has been reassuring or benign. I have seen her transform landmarks of great beauty into scenes of acrid-smelling desolation. Thus was the black sand beach at Kaimu, whose hala trees and palms were replaced by a steaming flatland seared by a tropic sun, the coastline now a half-mile distant. I have seen whole communities like sleepy Kalapana destroyed. Sites of historic significance have also been lost, including 700-year-old Wa-ha'ula Heiau and the sacred Queen's Baths, whose deep, cold waters had once been off-limits to all but Hawai'i's chiefs.

What started as a mist soon became a dense fog that obscured all detail, making it hard to see the ahu, the piles of rock that are the traditional way of mark-

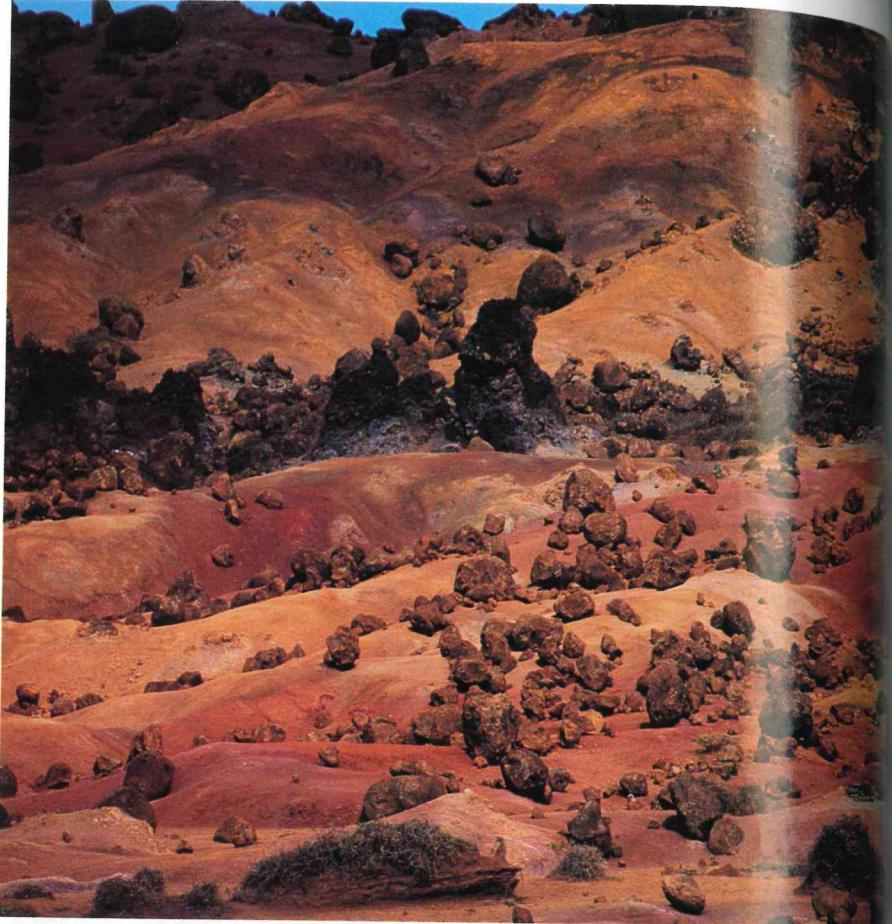
Thirteen years ago, I remember setting out in a small plane one afternoon when the current eruption cycle was first starting. Pu'u 'Ō'ō, where I'd crawled to the crater's edge several years earlier, was now a 400-foot-high cinder cone spewing lava a thousand feet into the air. We circled the fountain, feeling the intensity of the heat, pulling back only when a sudden barrage of lava rock pellets played a rat-a-tat medley on the exterior of the plane.

On my next visit to the Big Island about six months later, I headed out to Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park by helicopter. Pu'u 'Ō'ō, grown to a 1,000-foot cinder cone, had stopped fountaining. Lava was now making its way to the coast through an intricate maze of lava tubes. A great lava lake had formed on Kīlauea's slopes—molten rock awaiting its turn to flow downhill to the lowlands. Miles away, magnificent plumes of smoke marked the explosive interaction of lava and the sea.

Later that day, I set out across rugged lowlands on a mile-long hike to the coast. The smell of sulfur tainted the air, which was warmed by the still-steaming landscape that lay underfoot. I could feel the heat through the soles of my sneakers. Eyes tearing, I made my way makai, face-to-face with Pele as the sun painted a spectacular twilight.

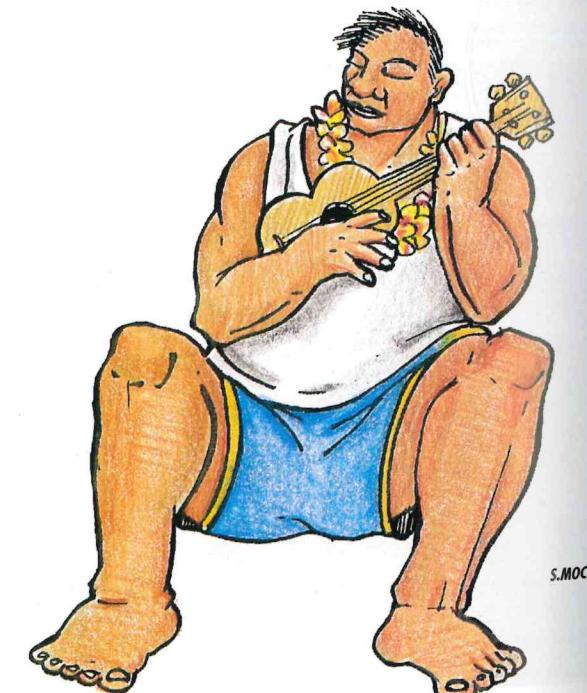
Poised on a fragile finger of land, I watched the Big Island grow before my eyes,ropy strands of lava falling into the sea, pink smoke rising with each surge of the tide. Glowing pockets of light revealed a dozen places along the coast where lava and sea water were in violent contact. Once again under Pele's hypnotic spell, my spirit soared, finding peace and a sense of belonging in dialogue with the 'āina. **ALOHA**

RIGHT: Taro patches, Hanalei, Kaua'i. Photo by Veronica Carmona. ABOVE RIGHT: The mysterious Garden of the Gods, Lāna'i. Photo by Ron Dahlquist. OPPOSITE PAGE: Hāmākua waterfall, island of Hawai'i. Photo by Allan Seiden.



# 20 SIMPLE PLEASURES OF HAWAII'

- ALOHA FRIDAY
- BACKYARD LŪ'AUS
- BUFFETS
- EATING GUAVAS AND LILIKOI ON A MOUNTAIN TRAIL
- HAWAIIAN TIME
- NO BILLBOARDS
- OCEAN VIEWS, OCEAN BREEZES
- PEOPLE-WATCHING IN WAIKĪKĪ
- PLATE LUNCHES
- PURE DRINKING WATER
- RAINBOWS
- RUBBER SLIPPERS
- SEEKING SHADE UNDER A KIAWE TREE

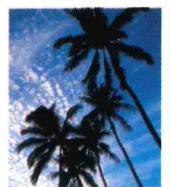


- SIPPING COCKTAILS ON THE LĀNAI
- SMELL OF PLUMERIA AT THE AIRPORT
- STRUMMING AN 'UKULELE
- SWIMMING AND SUNNING ON A NUDE BEACH
- TALKING STORY
- WALKING BAREFOOT ON THE BEACH
- WATCHING A HAWAIIAN SUNSET



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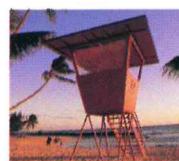
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# *Reflections on Water*

by Rick Carroll

*How blessed we are to live on islands—gorgeous tropical islands floating on an ocean as clear and blue as the sky above it. Inland, we delight in the beauty and bounty of streams, rivers, ponds and waterfalls. Water is a vital component of our Hawaiian lifestyle, it is our playground, our source of food, our inspiration.*



nce I spent a summer away from Hawai'i, traveling in Asia, and what I came to miss most was not the singular beauty of the place or the soft tropical air, but the water. It wasn't only the cobalt blue Pacific Ocean surrounding Hawai'i that I missed but the embracing wetness of the place. You might say I missed the climate, but my yearning went beyond that. I missed the waterfalls and the ceaseless waves, the light rain everyone calls a blessing and the sudden summer squalls.



Most people think of Hawai'i as a hot tropical island chain where the sun always shines, but that is not always the case. I know Hawai'i as a wet, sensual place, fluid and viscous, full of moisture and humidity, a rainy place full of rainbows.

The rest of the world is a dry, gritty place but not Hawai'i. It is a watery world of mists, fogs and ubiquitous rainbows. Its marine environment includes bogs and swamps and rain forests. Everyone, except hermetically sealed high-rise dwellers, lives in a perpetual state of wetness that is either fresh or salt, depending on where you happen to be.

Early Hawaiians made a fine distinction between salt and fresh water. They called fresh water "wai" and salt water "kai."

Since I have lived near salt water most of my life I always thought of myself as a kai kind of guy, a coast haole, in the local patois. In California, I always chose the ocean over a lake, preferred a lagoon to a pond, a tide pool to a stream. After nearly twenty years in Hawai'i, I now appreciate both wai and kai.

Hawaiians celebrated wetness in song. They wrote chants about waterfalls and rain. And they created many onomatopoeic words for different kinds of water—cool water (*wai hu'ihu'i*), sprinkling water (*wai kāpīpī*), tingling water (*wai konikoni*), misty water (*wai noenoe*) and brackish water where mountain streams meet the ocean (*wai kai*).

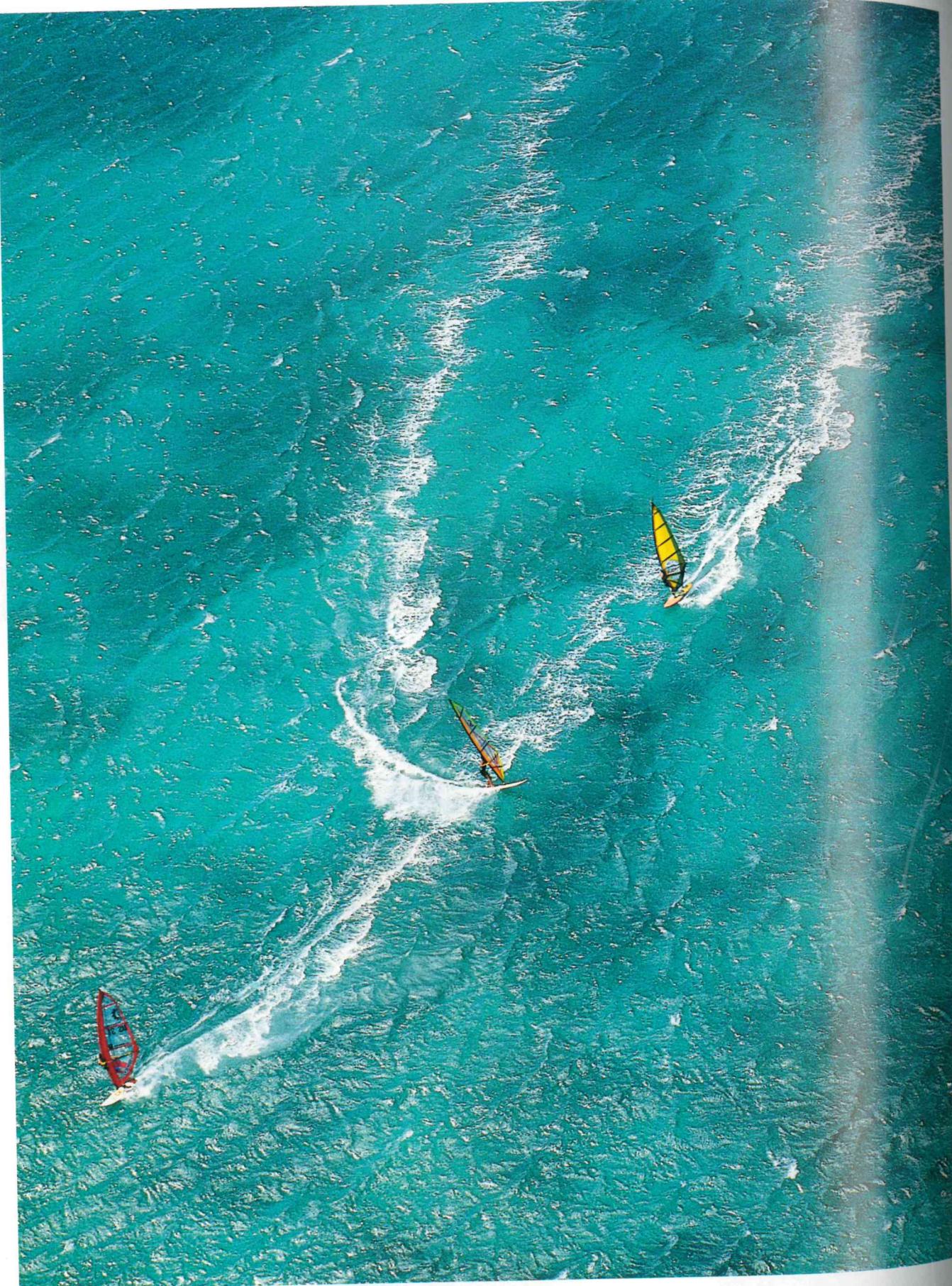
Hawai'i's most famous beach, Waikīkī, is named not for the ocean but the artesian springs that once flourished there. Waikīkī means "spouting water." My favorite Hawaiian word for water is Wai'ale'ale, which means "ripping or overflowing water," an appropriate title for what is the second wettest spot on Earth. One year, it rained 950 inches there—that's nearly eighty feet of rain!

When I am away from Hawai'i even briefly, I feel dried up and brittle. I can see my skin crack and wrinkle. I miss the wai and kai that keep the Islands insular and make it a great green place.

"I found many ways of being wet," wrote Victoria Nelson in *My Time In Hawai'i*, one of my favorite books about



LEFT: Picturesque Big Island waterfall. ABOVE: Beautiful Oneloa and Honolua bays on Maui, with Moloka'i seen at a distance. Photos by Ron Dahlquist. OPPOSITE PAGE: A diver befriends a Hawaiian green sea turtle, Mākaha, O'ahu. Photo by Bob Abraham. PREVIOUS SPREAD: Giant wave at Magic Sands, Kona, island of Hawai'i. Photo by Kirk Lee Aeder, Imoco Media.



ABOVE: A surfer rips through a curling wave, Kohala coast, island of Hawai'i. OPPOSITE PAGE: Windsurfers glide on the glistening waters off Hāpuna Beach, island of Hawai'i.  
Photos by Kirk Lee Aeder, Imoco Media.

the Islands. I, too, have experienced the joy of living in a liquid state.

I like the sound of hard rain on a tin roof, the smell of the Islands after a summer squall, the beads of perspiration on my brow after a morning shower. I like to float weightless and buoyant in languid lagoons. I prefer Honolulu's ordinary tap water, often judged the best in America, to Perrier and think all bottled water in Hawai'i is unnecessary.

Years ago, in Hāna during a torrential downpour, I spent the night in the back of a Jeep, snug and warm and laughing under a yellow rain slicker. I have showered in the often rust red falls of Kalalau, and leaped feet first into the fresh water pond at the foot of Puohokamoa Falls on the road to Hāna. Nothing makes my heart pound faster than a plunge into a waterfall pool.

Not always benign, the water of

Hawai'i can suddenly turn on you. I have been forced to pull over and stop by hard driving rain on the Pali Highway more than once. Waterfalls become deadly swollen streams. Flash floods inundate low-lying settlements. Rogue waves sweep fishermen off coastal perches. Tsunamis in 1946 and 1960 claimed 157 lives in Hilo on the Big Island.

Thankfully, all my own experiences with water have been less menacing. I crossed the Kaiwi Channel, considered one of the most dangerous in the world, in a twenty-four-foot chase boat in fifteen-foot seas during last year's Moloka'i Hoe race, only to learn afterwards that the Coast Guard rescued a half dozen swamped canoes.

Once, off the coast of Lāna'i while snorkeling near Shark Island, the tide changed and I found myself in the Kealaikahiki Channel, which means "The Way To Tahiti" because that's where it goes.

A torrential storm dumped fifteen inches of rain in twenty-four hours on my house one year, flooding the first floor and turning Lanikai into a mini-

Venice for a day. We kayaked down the middle of 'A'alapapa Drive when the sun came out.

Sitting in Tokyo on a gray day that summer in Asia, I found myself dreaming of the soft warm rain that drizzles down on Hilo.

I could close my eyes and see all the great bays—Kāne'ohe, Māmala, Kealakekua, Hilo and Hanalei, and the little pretty ones—Hanauma, Kahana and Waimea. My eyes ached to see again the amazing variations of the color blue, from turquoise to deep purple with shades of sapphire, cobalt, mulberry and indigo for effect.

I could almost feel the foggy dew of Mānoa and the fine mist raised by 'Akaka Falls. I could hear the roar of North Shore surf in winter. I yearned to snorkel the green tide pools along Maui's black lava coast.

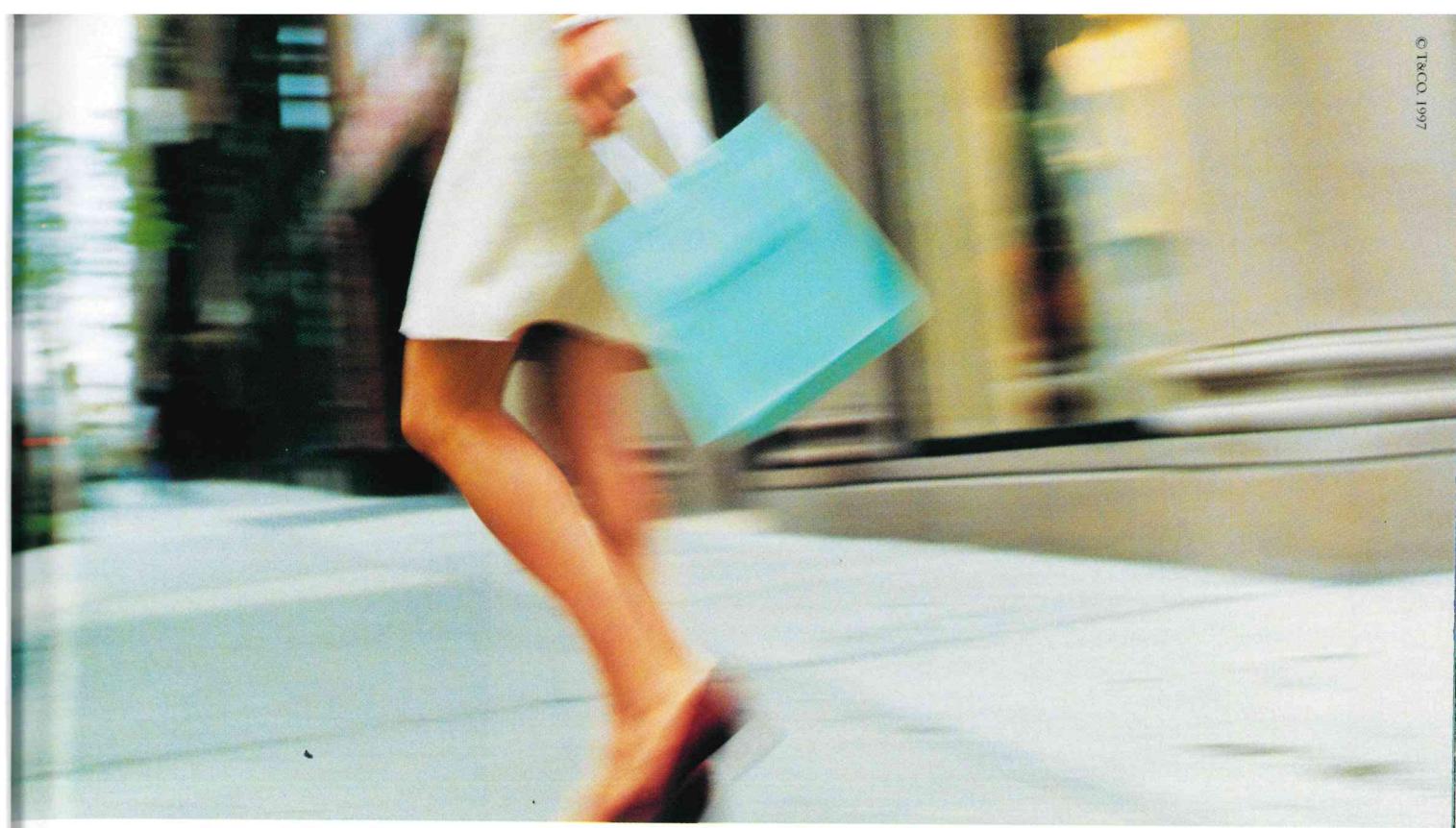
Out there in Asia it all seemed like a dream, and I suppose in a way it is. The wonderful waters of Hawai'i, the wai and kai, are so otherworldly and ephemeral I suspect they must be two of the essential elements of paradise. **ALOHA**

# 20 WAYS TO SHOW YOUR ALOHA



- "ADOPT" A WHALE OR AN ANIMAL AT THE HONOLULU ZOO
- BRING BACK OMIYAGE AFTER A TRIP
- GIVE NEIGHBORS MANGOES OR LYCHEES FROM THE TREE IN YOUR YARD
- GIVE YOUR SEAT TO A KUPUNA ON THE BUS
- INTRODUCE A NEWCOMER TO HAWAIIAN MUSIC
- INVITE A NEW FRIEND TO A BACKYARD LŪ'AU
- LET YOUR FRIEND CATCH THE GOOD WAVE
- NEVER GO TO A PARTY EMPTY-HANDED
- PICK UP LITTER AT A BEACH PARK
- PRESENT A LEI TO THE HONOREE AT HIS/HER BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, GRADUATION OR OTHER SPECIAL OCCASION
- REMOVE YOUR SHOES BEFORE ENTERING A HOME
- SHARE YOUR PLATE LUNCH WITH A FRIEND AND LET HIM/ HER HAVE THE SIDE WITH THE EXTRA GRAVY
- SHOW A MALIHINI A HAWAIIAN SUNSET
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# *Beauty and the Beach*

by Marcie Carroll

Cruise through our neighborhoods and you'll be treated to a tantalizing slice of Hawai'i's unique culture. Many local neighborhoods are defined by a distinctive feature—a historic site, perhaps, or a building, or a natural landmark like a mountain or river. Lanikai, on the windward side of O'ahu, is known for its beach.



*I am addicted to natural beauty and, particularly, to the beautiful beach where I live. I came to Hawai'i with a yearning to live close enough to the warm, clear sea to see it, smell it and jump in, any time, any day. I wanted to be able to walk to the beach and drive anywhere else. O'ahu is ringed with spectacular beaches, but none is more enticing than Lanikai Beach, on the morning side of the Ko'olau mountains, as lovely a spot as the planet has to offer and my home for the past fourteen years.*

For better or worse, Lanikai was memorialized by a Maryland marine researcher as "America's Best Beach" in 1996. Doctor Stephen Leatherman liked its silky coral sands and awesome scenic views. Fortunately, he did not include a map (and neither will I), so not too much has changed at my out-of-the-way haven.

My beach defines the odd little windward neighborhood of Lanikai, misnamed by a 1920s-era developer who wanted to call his creation "heavenly sea"

(that would have been "Kailani"). Lanikai is a few hundred homesites squeezed between the sea and rocky Ka 'Iwa ridge, formed like the wing of the mighty 'iwa (frigate bird). The ridge hides views of the beach.

Yet people inevitably find it. Many fall in love with the place and brave the winding drive over green peaks day and night. City friends visit every chance they get to escape the hot pavement. Travelers from afar who've missed the turn for Kailua Beach Park and who've

stumbled onto Lanikai, or who were led to Buzz's Steak House and the beach beyond by akamai kama'āina, return year after year. All these are beach people, and Lanikai is that kind of beach. A secret shared by the faithful.

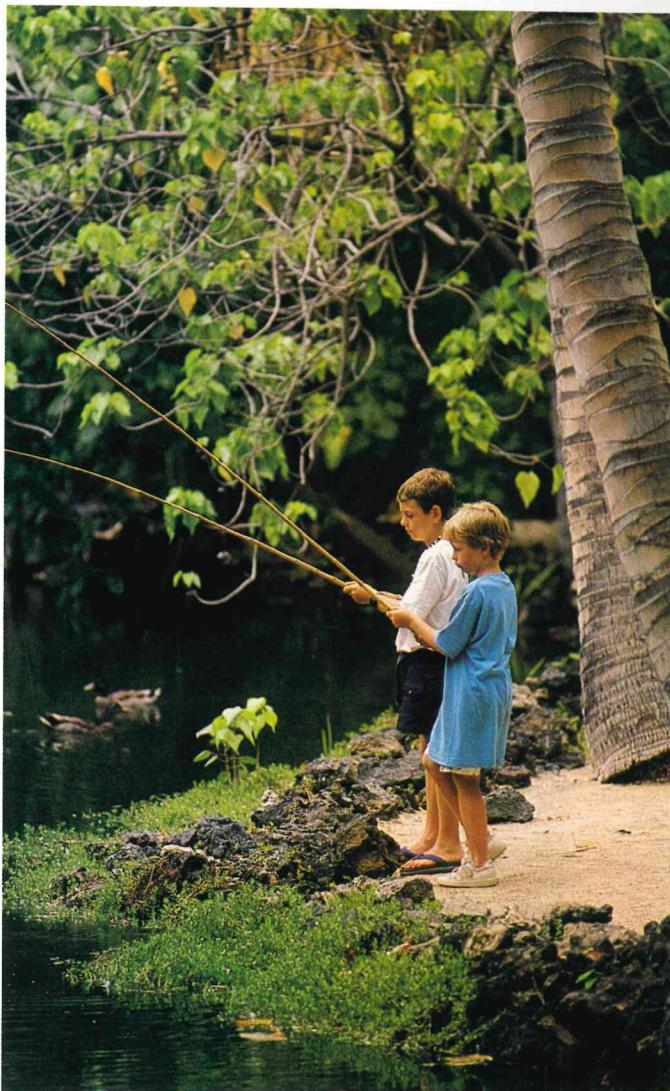
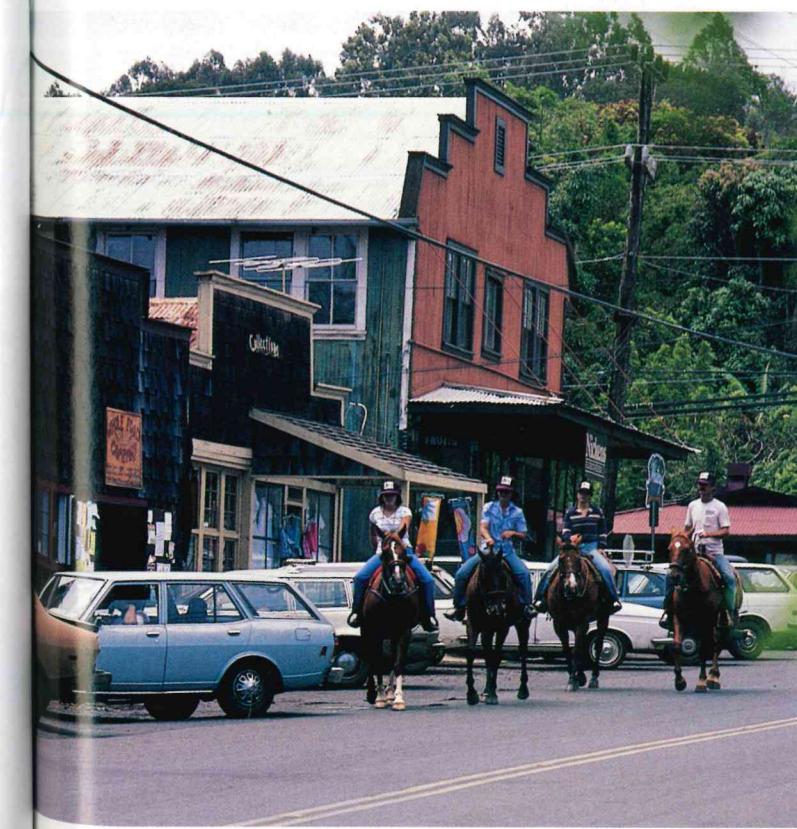
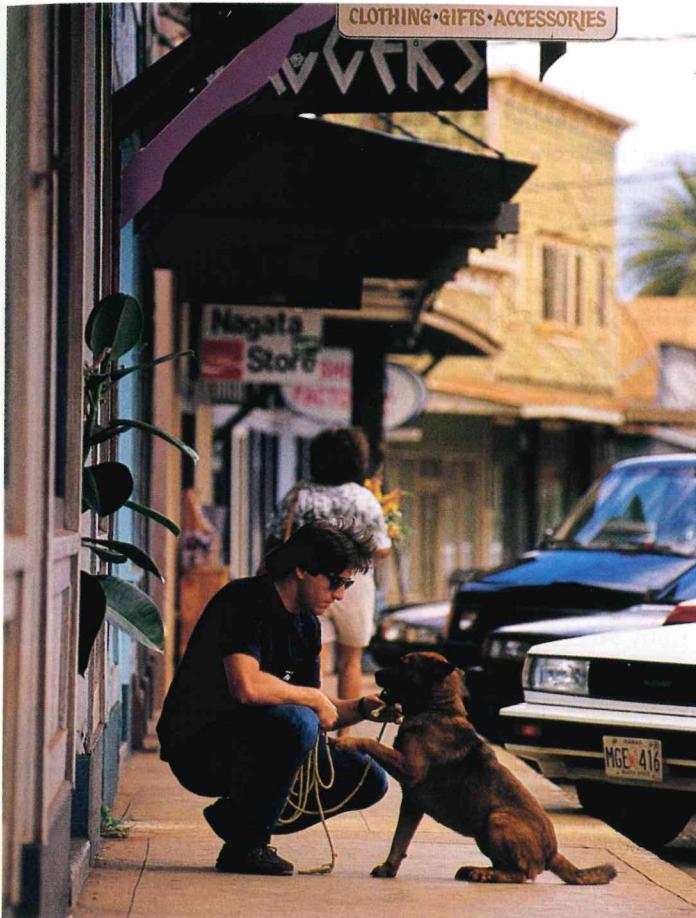
There are broader strands of sand in Hawai'i, with better access and more onshore amenities, but there is something special about Lanikai. Its fine golden sands are ephemeral, always shifting with the tides and storms and seasons, settling offshore to give its share of the Pacific its distinctive brilliant green and aquamarine hues. Sometimes the beach vanishes under high tides, while low tides leave it bare and defenseless.

Nearly a mile offshore, a fringe of reef breaks the force of the waves and pokes above the horizon in the form of two little islands called the Mokulua ("two islands"), part of a great sunken crater whose edges include other neighboring islets and land ridges in the area. So picturesque are the Mokulua islets against the azure waters, so typical of the tropical dream, that photos of the scene show up in the oddest places: masquerading as Australia in Down-Under tourism ads, for instance, or featured as the view to expect from your room in ads for a chain whose Waikīkī hotels are miles away.

Lanikai Beach borders a large lagoon-like channel formed by the reef. Sheltered waters, twenty feet at the deepest, flow over a drowned beach dotted with chunks of reef rock and coral left behind by old tidal waves. Turtles and eels cruise among the rocks, while schools of silvery 'oama are born and caught along the shallows.

The beach is the core of our neighborhood, the place where strangers meet and children grow up. We proudly claim a famous hālau and a champion outrigger canoe team, but the beach is what cements Lanikai. People get married, baptized and eulogized on the beach. Toddlers learn to swim there without fear of the waves that pound nearby beaches. Bodies in scanty attire, ranging from young and perfect to old and lumpy, are regularly displayed on the warm sands. People-watching is a given.

This place has been my joy, inspira-



CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: Horseback riders patrol a dusty road in Makawao, Maui. A "dog day" afternoon in Pāia, Maui. Two friends enjoy bamboo fishing, Kona Village Resort, Ka'ipūlehu, island of Hawai'i. OPPOSITE PAGE: Enjoying a quiet game of chess, Kapi'olani Park, Waikīkī, O'ahu. Photos by Joe Carini. PREVIOUS SPREAD: Mokulua islets rise from waters off Lanikai Beach, O'ahu. Photo by Veronica Carmona.

tion and solace—a place to turn cart-wheels, learn tai chi, plot novels, comfort friends and mourn my deceased mother. While the beach is only crowded on Sundays and holidays, it is almost always in use, good weather or bad. Winter storms are most impressive when you venture out on the sand and see the normally placid waters whipped to froth and tearing viciously at the land. When I wake in the night to the white-noise roar of offshore surf, I know the devout will be up before the sun to paddle out to surfing spots like "Lefts," "Rights" or "No Can Tells."

Dawn comes to Lanikai Beach with a symphony of birdsong: dainty chattering from tiny red bills, noisy mynah conversations, shrill wake-up calls from the cardinals, clumsy bulbul whistles, and above it all, the heartstopping melodic contralto of the shama. The skies are streaked with reds and golds before the sun blasts out of the sea. On the beach, early swimmers, walkers and runners glory in the sunrise and watch for the green flash. Nothing is so bad that a Lanikai dawn can't make it better.

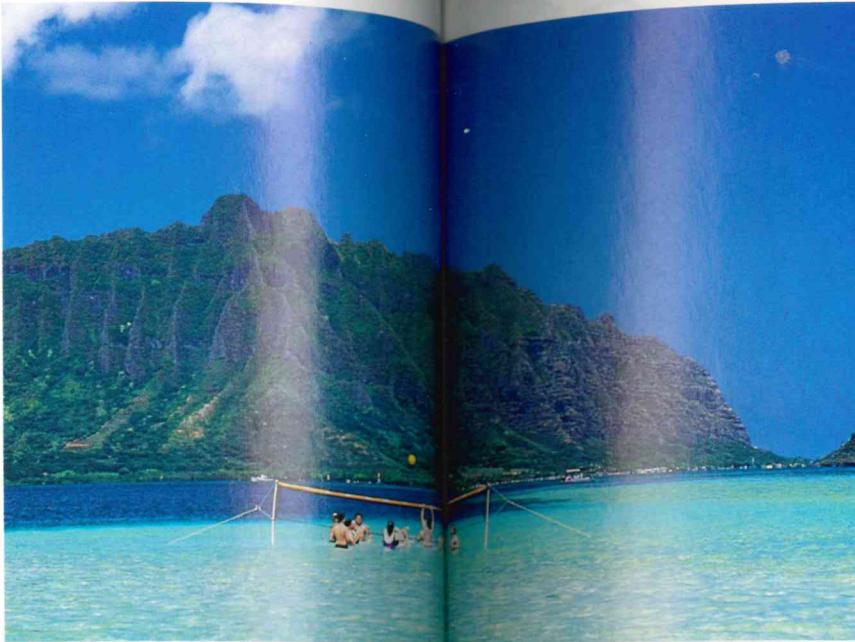
All through the day, mothers and children, vacationers and others bring towels and chairs to the sand and bake, basting themselves periodically in the warm green sea. Mothers bring newborns here for a first touch of lapping seawater and swimming lessons. Snorkelers regularly inspect the deeper coralheads. Film crews bring their models and actors to pose before the natural technicolor of Lanikai. Winter days bring humpback whales, who spout and cavort outside the reef and hang out around the Mokulua islets.

Now and then, howling tradewinds blow up a cloud of pastel plastic butterflies, and my windsurfer neighbors streak back and forth until they collapse on shore to rest before they carry home their rigs on their heads. Shoreline fishermen bring their families, poles, bait and sometimes sizzling woks to the beach early in the day or after the sunbathers retire to their showers.

When the moon rises, out come the nocturnal beach strollers. I have walked the strand in silvery moonlight when ghostly boys on skateboards with sails

whooshed by. In the bright mercurial waters, you can see colors, at least echoes of blue—perhaps the inspiration of the song "Blue Hawaiian Moonlight." We can't bear to shut out this scene with shades. Once I saw a moonlit rainbow over the Mokulua, an unforgettable pearly rendition of the daytime classic. Sights like this elude film; they can only be absorbed through the eyes and stored in the heart.

Someday I may have to leave Lanikai and not return, packing my tattered pareus and albums of sunrise pictures and relinquishing my place on the beach to another aficionado. I'm not sure I can live without it. But I know every day will be richer for having had the beauty of the beach and the ebb and flow of the sea to comfort my spirit. **ALOHA**



CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: Marie MacDonald tends to her flower farm, Waimea, island of Hawai'i. Photo by Joe Carini. Kualoa Ranch visitors find a cool way to play beach volleyball, Kāne'ohe Bay, O'ahu. Photo by Veronica Carmona. Kite-fliers race with the wind, Kapi'olani Park, Waikīkī, O'ahu. Photo by Joe Carini.

# 20 INTRIGUING ISLANDERS



✿ **Akebono.** Christened Chad Rowan, the six-foot, eight-inch athlete from Waimānalo, O'ahu is a champion sumo wrestler in Japan. In 1993, he became the first-ever *gaijin* (foreigner) to ascend to the ranks of *yokozuna* (grand champion)—the highest rank in the sport.

✿ **Irmgard Aluli.** Her impressive contributions to Hawaiian music—Aluli has written more than 300 songs—are matched only by her deep love for the Islands. This spritely eighty-six-year-old still performs regularly with her group, Puamana, which includes her daughters Mihana Souza and Aima McManus, and her niece Luana McKenney.

✿ **George Ariyoshi.** In 1974, Ariyoshi became the first non-haole governor of an American state and went on to serve as Hawai'i's chief executive for thirteen years. Today, he continues to serve Hawai'i through his positions on several advisory boards and committees, including the boards of the Pacific International Center for High Technology Research, Bishop Museum and the East-West Center. Ariyoshi's recently released book, *With Obligation to All*, discusses his

values, philosophies and views on politics in Hawai'i.

✿ **Henry Auwae.** "Papa Henry" is regarded as one of the foremost practitioners of the Hawaiian healing arts. Using roots, bark, seeds, flowers, leaves and other natural ingredients, he concocts traditional herbal remedies to relieve a wide variety of ills, from asthma to arthritis.

✿ **Pat Namaka Bacon.** Bacon, a Hawaiian expert and respected kumu hula, has judged numerous Merrie Monarch competitions, Hilo's renowned annual hula festival. She is the hānai daughter of the late Mary Kawena Pukui, the translator and author of the *Hawaiian Dictionary* and many other scholarly Hawaiian works.

✿ **The Brothers Cazimero.** Brothers Robert and Roland have been standouts in the Hawaiian music scene since 1971. They have earned more than twenty Hokū Awards (the local equivalent of the Grammys), and were one of the first Island entertainers to perform in Carnegie Hall.

✿ **Rick Grigg.** A researcher and oceanographer at the University of Hawai'i-Mānoa's School of Ocean & Earth Science & Technology, Grigg has authored four books about Hawai'i's ocean life (and edited three others). He is an authority on the developing island of Lō'ihi, located off the east coast of the Big Island, which scientists say will break the ocean's surface in about "1,000 human lifetimes."

✿ **Don Ho.** Two words: "Tiny Bubbles." Even after more than thirty years in show business, the legendary entertainer still delights audiences five nights a week at the Waikīkī Beachcomber Hotel.

✿ **Senator Daniel Inouye.** One of the most respected leaders in the U.S. Congress, this decorated World War II veteran has been serving Hawai'i in the political arena since 1954, five years before Hawai'i achieved statehood.

✿ **George Hu'eu Sanford Kanahele.** Much of today's renewed interest in the Hawaiian culture can be attributed to this respected civic leader, businessman, author, educator, historian and scholar.

Kanahele is known for his role in the development of "cultural tourism," the concept of sharing Hawaiian values and culture in the hospitality industry. He is also the author of several books, including *Restoring Hawaiianess to Waikīkī* and *Critical Reflections on Cultural Values and Hotel Management in Hawai'i*.

✿ **Herb Kawainui Kane.** No other Island artist has combined Hawaiian art and history more effectively than the gifted Kane. He also helped design—and captained—the historic voyaging canoe, *Hōkūle'a* in 1976. Kane also is one of the founders of the Polynesian Voyaging Society.

✿ **Doctor Richard Kelley.** As chairman of the board of the Outrigger Hotels & Resorts, Kelley is a leader in Hawai'i's visitor industry. Ever since Outrigger opened its first property in Waikīkī more than fifty years ago, it has held its own against major chains like Hilton, Hyatt and Sheraton.

Today, the family-owned Outrigger hotel chain is the largest in the state with more than 9,000 rooms on O'ahu, Maui, Kaua'i and the Big Island.

✿ **Beatrice Krauss.** Affectionately known as the "Grande Dame of Mānoa Valley," the venerable Krauss—she's ninety-three—still frequently visits the 194-acre Lyon Arboretum in Mānoa Valley, where she was a longtime volunteer. Few people can match this retired ethnobotanist's knowledge of Hawai'i's abundant plant life. Krauss is the author of a book titled *Plants in Hawaiian Culture*, which describes the use of native plants in pre-contact Hawai'i.

✿ **Brook Mahealani Lee.** The twenty-six-year-old Pearl City beauty is currently traveling all over the world, spreading the spirit of aloha as Miss Universe 1997. Lee majored in English at Chaminade University and hopes to receive her master's degree in Communications. Her career aspiration is to become a filmmaker.

✿ **Jack Lord.** "Book'em, Dano!" Lord was the poker-faced star of "Hawai'i Five-O," the Hawai'i-based series that dominated prime-time television from 1968 to 1980. Lord, who lives on O'ahu with his wife, Marie will be celebrating his sixty-seventh birthday on December 30.

✿ **Jesse Sapolu.** The former football standout at Farrington High School and the University of Hawai'i went on to become a five-time Super Bowl champion with the San Francisco 49ers. He remains a big presence in the local community, working to improve the lives of Hawai'i's young people.

✿ **Nainoa Thompson.** As navigator of the double-hulled voyaging canoe, *Hōkūle'a*, in 1980, Thompson became the first Polynesian in 900 years to use ancient celestial navigation methods to sail between Hawai'i and Tahiti. Today, the gifted Thompson continues his mission to perpetuate the "wayfinding" techniques of the ancient Polynesians by developing sailing programs to educate Island students.

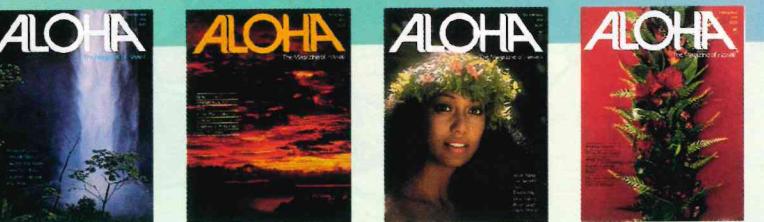
✿ **Haunani Kay Trask and Mililani Trask.** Haunani heads the Hawaiian Studies Program at the University of Hawai'i; Mililani leads the pro-sovereignty group, Ka Lahui Hawai'i. Together, through passion and intellect, these two sisters work to revive Hawaiian language and traditions—and establish the independent nation of Hawai'i.

# TWENTY YEARS

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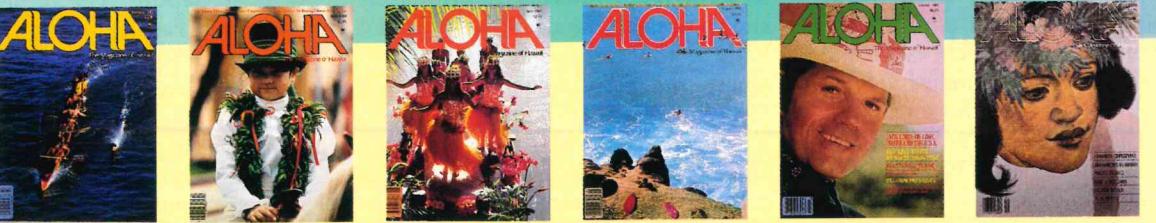
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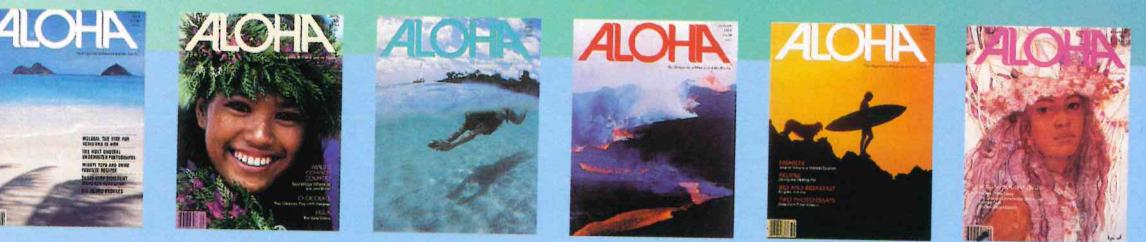
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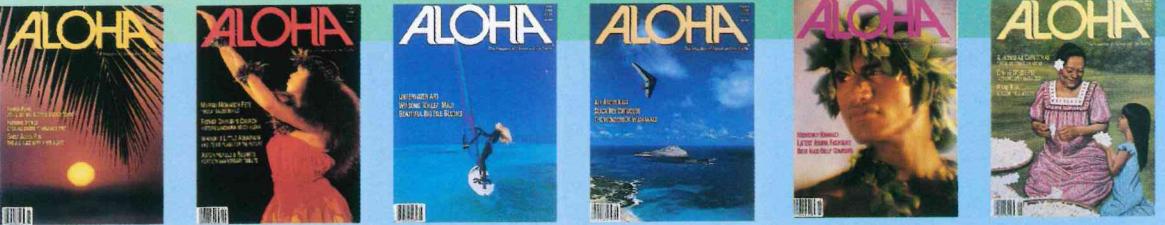
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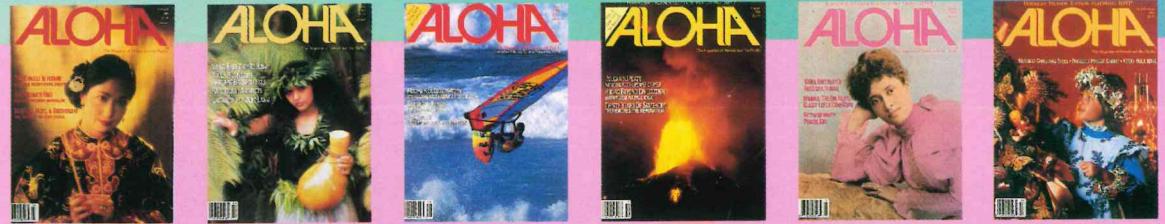
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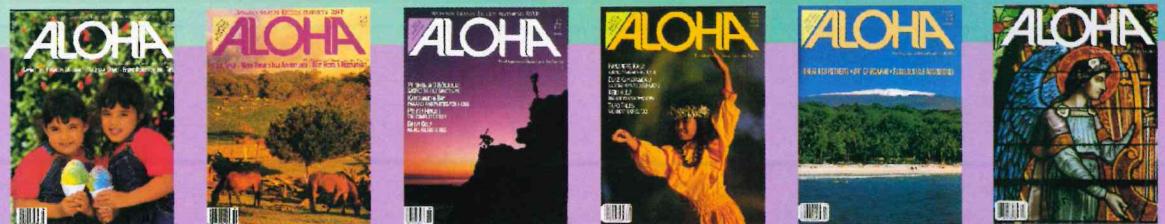
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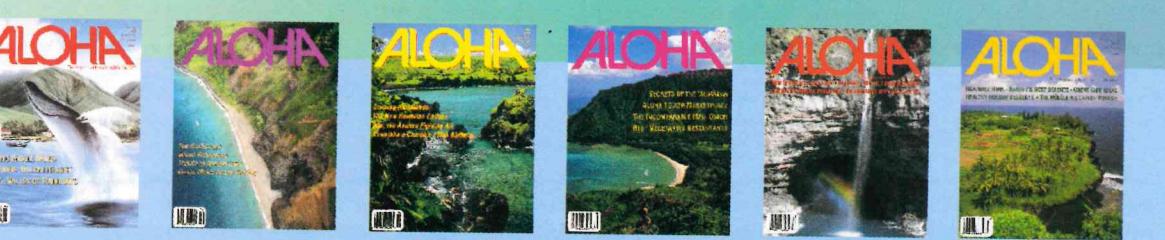
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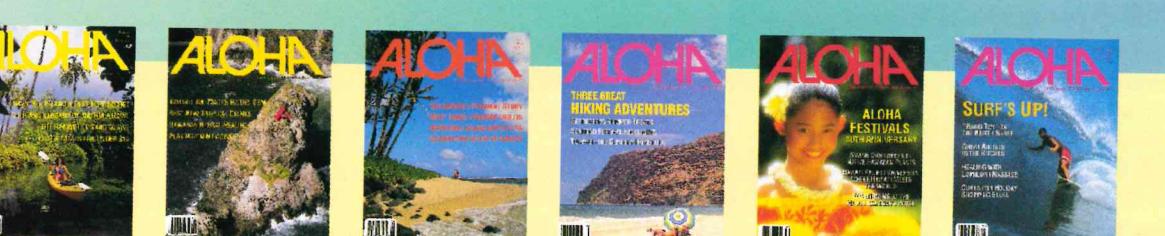
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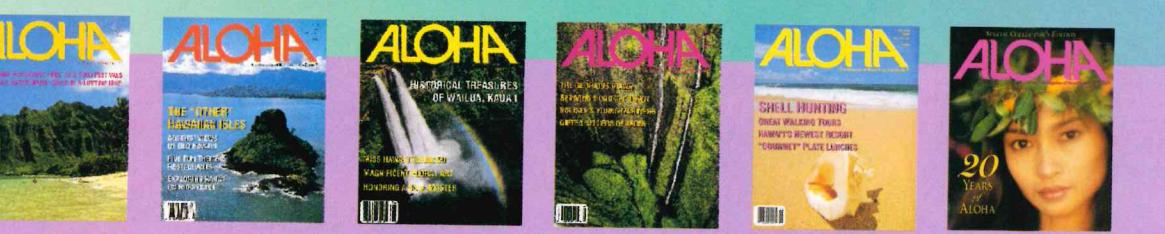
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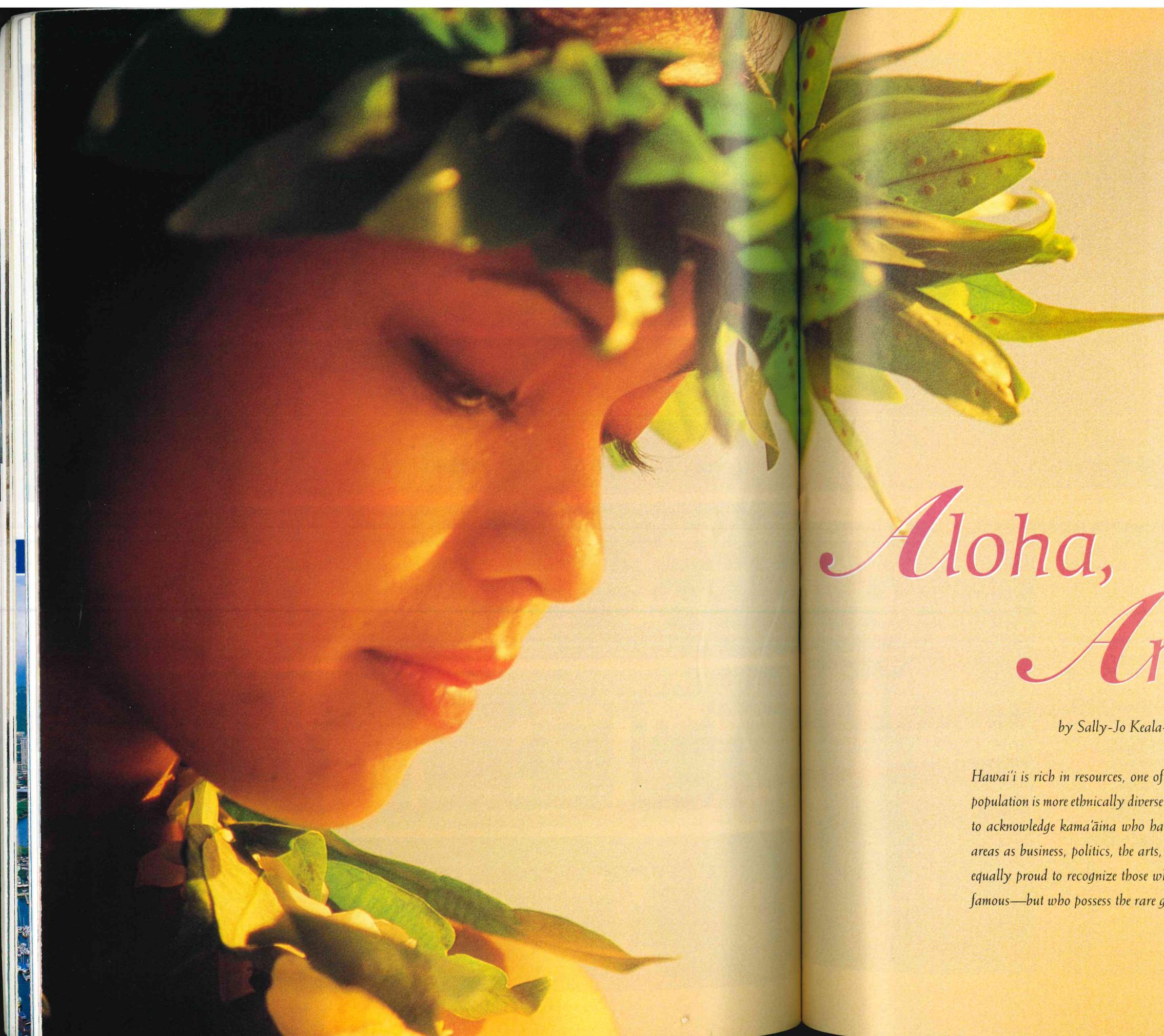


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A large, close-up photograph of a woman's face, partially obscured by tropical foliage like hibiscus flowers and green leaves. The lighting is warm and golden.

# *Aloha, Anuhea*

by Sally-Jo Keala-o-ānuenue Bowman

Hawai'i is rich in resources, one of them certainly being its people. Our population is more ethnically diverse than any other on Earth. We're proud to acknowledge kama'āina who have made major contributions in such areas as business, politics, the arts, music, sports and science. And we're equally proud to recognize those who will never rank among the world's famous—but who possess the rare gift of touching and changing lives.



*H*er name was Anubea. The last time I saw her, we were just eighteen. By then, she had given me something as important as life itself. But it took me forty years to accept it as my own.

In Hilo in May of 1995, I met Hawaiian kūpuna Aunty Abbie Napeahi and Uncle Howard Pea when I was researching an article on the spiritually-based Hawaiian family counseling process, ho'oponopono. Aunty Abbie carefully explained the steps of ho'oponopono, from finding the core problem to forgiving all parties involved and cutting loose from the pain. And then, part-way through the interview, she gently shifted the focus from ho'oponopono to me.

Aunty Abbie asked me to lay before them the problem deepest in my heart, the one giving me the most pain in my life. In my mind I quickly reeled through classic candidates: Money. Marriage. Family. None of them seemed to warrant ho'oponopono.

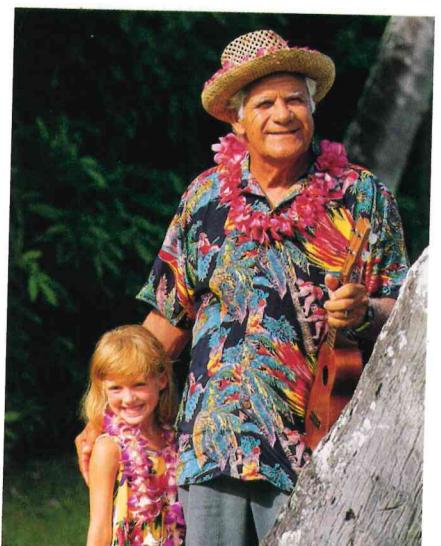
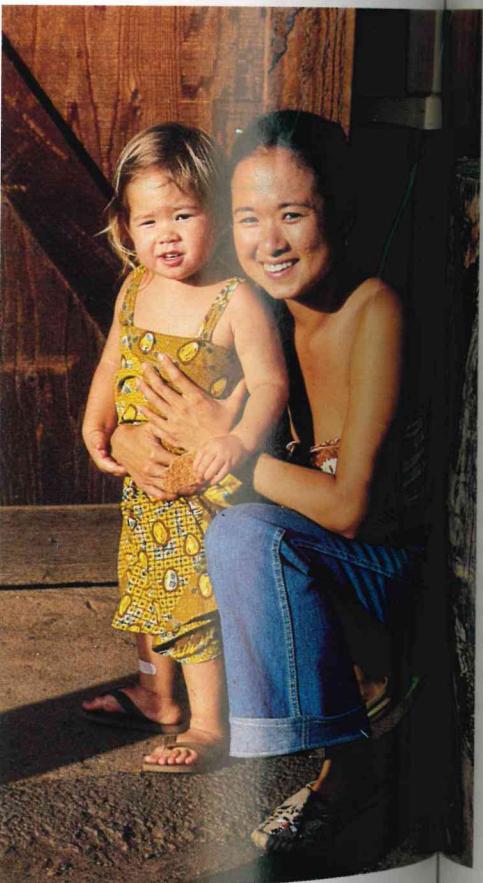
Then I did the bravest thing I've ever

done. For the first time, I named out loud the gaping, lifelong hole in my heart: "Although I am Hawaiian by blood, I'm not sure I am a worthy Hawaiian."

I told them my Hawaiian school's mission had been to turn us into haoles. My haole mother and Hawaiian father both had done the same.

My mind reeled off more reasons: I knew no more than a couple hundred isolated words of my language. I didn't even look very Hawaiian. My Hawaiian grandmother had died when my father was a baby, and no one ever passed down to us the knowledge of our guardian spirits, the 'aumākua. Pain flooded me as if I had ripped a bandage from an open wound.

I did not voice my last, dark secret: I didn't have a proper Hawaiian name, one my family gave me. Without a Ha-



CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: A kupuna and a young friend, Lanikai, O'ahu. Photo by Ann Cecil. A cute keiki is dressed in plumeria, Kailua, O'ahu. Mother and daughter, Makawao, Maui. Future pā'u riders share their aloha, Kaunakakai, Moloka'i. Photos by Joe Carini. Playful youngsters, Kapi'olani Park, O'ahu. Photo by Ann Cecil. PREVIOUS SPREAD: Hula kahiko dancer Diane Ahrens strikes a reflective pose, Lanikai, O'ahu. Photo by Joe Carini.

waiian name, I thought I had no lineage, no place with my ancestors, no heritage. I was nobody. The fact had burst forever into my consciousness when I first enrolled at Kamehameha Schools in the seventh grade. Unlike public school where my class had only three Hawaiians, all 400 girls at Kamehameha were Hawaiian. Almost all my classmates had both English and Hawaiian given names.

In tenth grade, in the fall of 1955, Anuhea Nahalea brought my problem to the surface. She and I, and about forty other sophomores, boarded in Dorm K at the top of the Kapālama Heights campus.

About four o'clock one rare afternoon when we were free from the dorm's scheduled after-school tasks like washing and ironing, Anuhea asked me to cut her hair. She'd asked me to do this several times before, though we weren't in the same academic section and didn't know each other very well.

That day she sat in my room with a towel clipped around her neck with a wooden spring clothespin. As I snipped at her unruly waves, she said, "Eh, what's your Hawaiian name?"

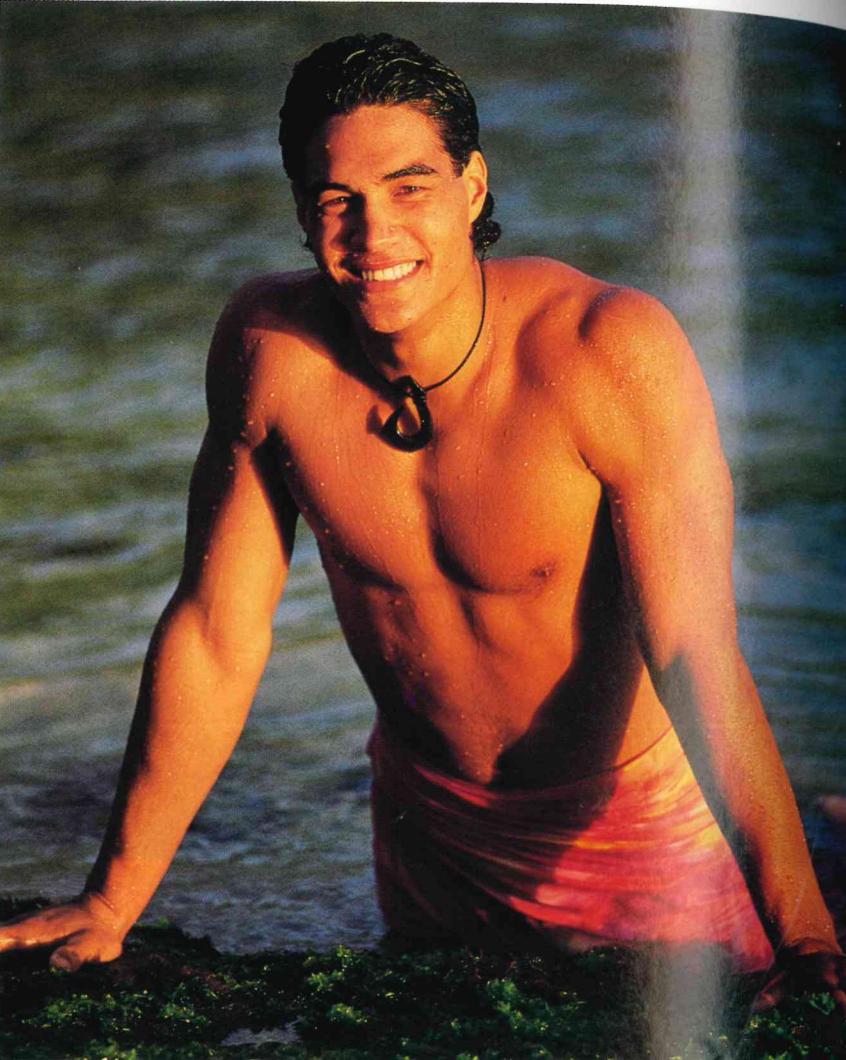
I could barely admit I didn't have one.

She said matter-of-factly, "I give you one." She didn't speak again until just before the haircut was over. "Keala-o-ānuenue," she said. "The Path of the Rainbow."

The name was beautiful, in sound and in concept. I didn't dare ask why she chose it for me. I loved it. But in the back of my mind I thought I mustn't use it because my parents hadn't given it to me. "Keala-o-ānuenue" felt kapu to me. I would be a thief to call myself The Path of the Rainbow. So I didn't use the name. But I couldn't forget it.

After we graduated, I went away to college in Minnesota, where people thought Hawai'i was a foreign country. Occasionally, one of the more worldly people asked me about my Hawaiian name. "Keala-o-ānuenue. The Path of the Rainbow." And I explained that Anuhea had given it to me, aching in my heart because it wasn't a "real" name.

The ache became bigger—an elusive, ghostly void. By the time I was thirty,



sometimes I wept from the chronic pain, but still I did not know its source. I had moved to Oregon and was visiting Hawai'i more often—a mixed blessing, for in Hawai'i I was far more likely to meet someone who would ask the dreaded question that had become the symbol of my grieving heart. I could lie and say I didn't have a Hawaiian name. But I wanted my name. Yet, each time I spoke it, I always added the disclaimer: I got the name at school.

I mentioned none of the name agony to Aunty Abbie and Uncle Howard. My doubtful worth as a Hawaiian was enough.

Now the room filled with Aunty Abbie's mana, her life force, her spiritual power. I felt like I was swimming safely in a deep ocean of no-nonsense love. "You must stop blaming your parents and your school," she said, touch-

ing my arm and looking deep into my puka heart with her wise eyes. "Look at what they did give you. They gave you the power to write, the power to do your work. Let go of the blame. And never use it for an excuse again."

Instantly I felt myself do exactly as she said. I began to weep in relief. The time had come for the puka to heal.

Uncle Howard asked my Hawaiian name. "Keala-o-ānuenue," I said, barely able to speak. "Oh, yes, The Path of the Rainbow," he replied, calmly accepting something I hadn't been able to accept for myself. Tears poured down my face. And then Uncle Howard and Aunty Abbie folded me up in their arms and their hearts and told me the name was a special gift—a gift of honor, a name I had grown into, for I had become a writer with the power to touch people's hearts, a writer who writes about Ha-



ABOVE: A young mother and her infant child, Nu'uanu Valley, O'ahu. Photo by Joe Carini, Hawaiian Legends Collection.

RIGHT: Winsome hula dancer, Kona, island of Hawai'i. Photo by Michael T. Stewart. OPPOSITE PAGE: Handsome Kamalu Kong, Black Point, Kāhala, O'ahu. Photo by Ann Cecil.

waiians, who are the heart of the rainbow.

And then they said, "Welcome home, Keala-o-ānuenue."

In the weeks that followed, I came to understand that forty years earlier, on the day of the haircut, Anuhea had given me the answer to the question I had spent my life asking myself: Who am I? All I had to do was grow into the answer, bare my heart, accept the truth of the gift. Now I can speak the simple answer. I am Keala-o-ānuenue.

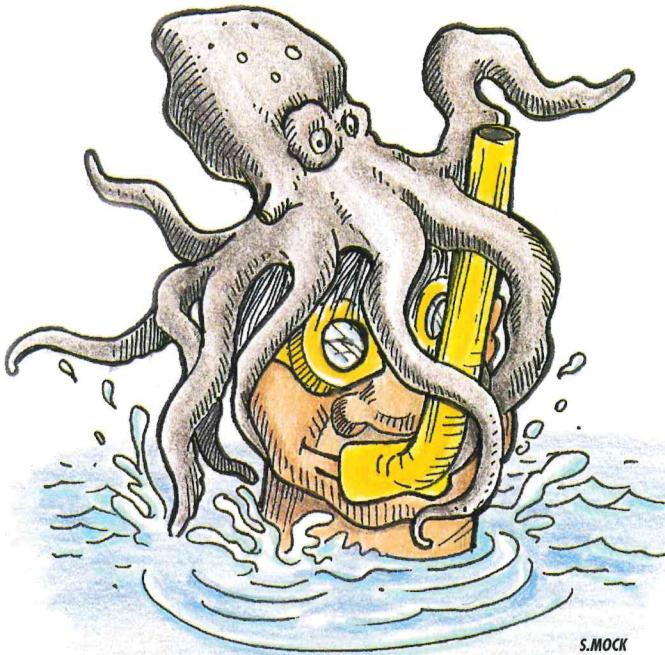
I know now in my heart that our Hawaiian names are metaphors bundled in multiple meanings that we grow into. However we receive them, our names are a means by which we know we belong to our homeland, our 'āina.

My name is Keala-o-ānuenue, The Path of the Rainbow. I thank Anuhea for the name I have become. **ALOHA**



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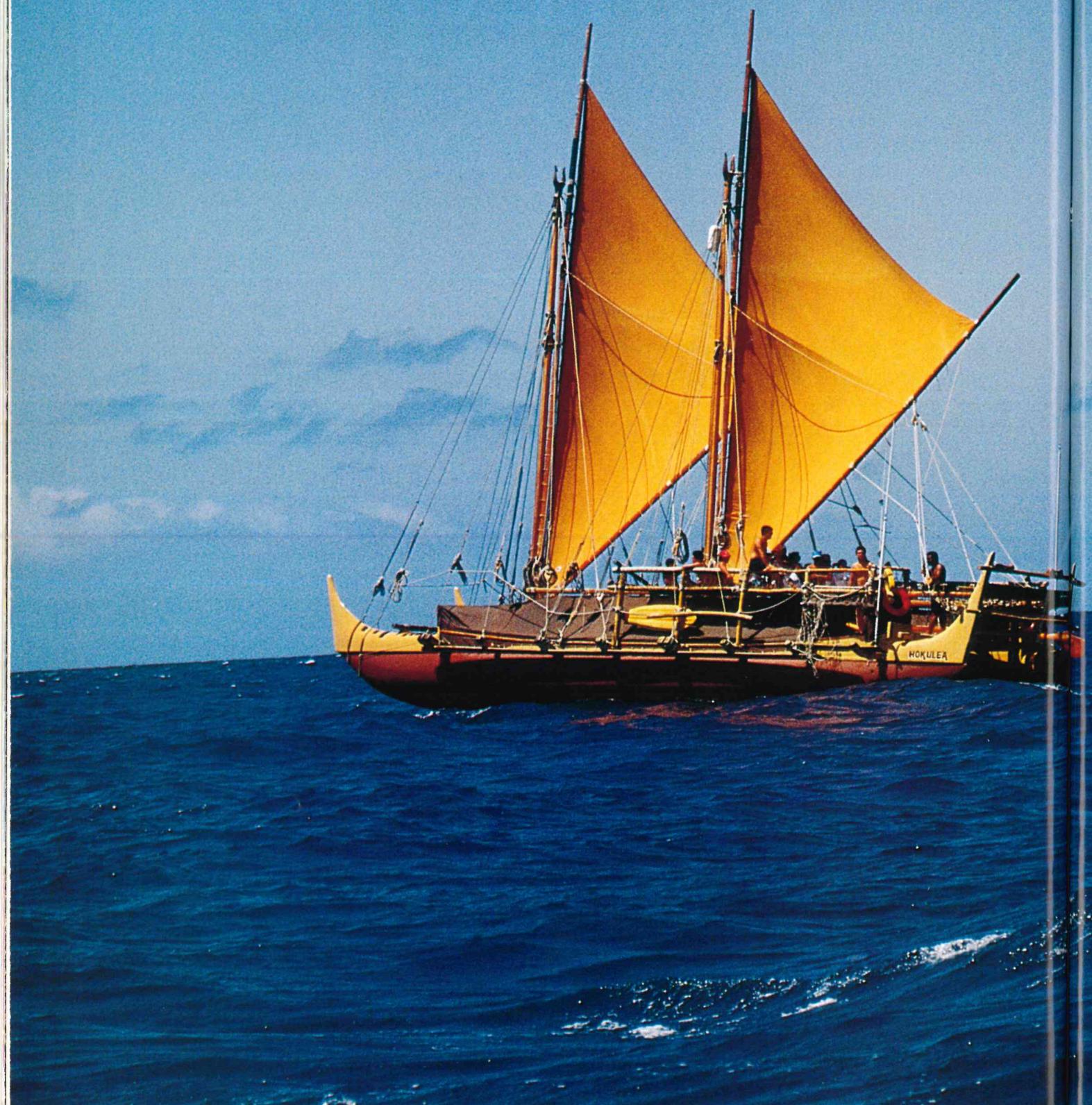
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# *Good Sports*

by Lance Tominaga

Living in a place where summer reigns nearly all year round, it's no wonder Islanders are active. We enjoy swimming, surfing, sailing, bicycling, biking, jogging, horseback riding, golfing, fishing, kayaking and a host of other activities that immerse us in the warmth of the glorious Hawaiian sun. These sports provide us with challenges, pleasure—and some very valuable lessons about life.



In sports, as in life, there are successes and failures; we all have to learn to live with both.

During my nine years of writing for ALOHA Magazine, the symbolic relationship between sports and life has been made clear to me time and again:

*Remember what matters most.* On Kalapaki Beach on Kaua'i, I watched crew after exhausted crew competing in a long-distance canoe race touch shore, only to be instantly rejuvenated by the hugs and cheers of friends and family. As the competitors basked in the warm embraces of their loved ones, I could not tell the winners from the losers.

*Cherish the good times.* At Waikiki Beach on O'ahu, I witnessed the joy of young boys and girls taking their first surfing lesson. Sure, they had their share of spills. But the thrill of riding their first wave far outweighed the falls. Years from now, when they reach back in time for happy memories, I have no doubt they will remember that moment and smile.

*Great achievements require great dedication.* Three years ago, a friend of mine, Robin Isayama, became the first woman ever to swim the Kaiwi Channel—a treacherous thirty-five-mile stretch of ocean between Moloka'i and O'ahu. She had trained for nine months, logging hundreds of practice hours in the water. "For the longest time, my day was swim, work, swim, sleep," she said. When she took that last stroke and collapsed on Sandy Beach, there was no doubt all that effort was well worth it.

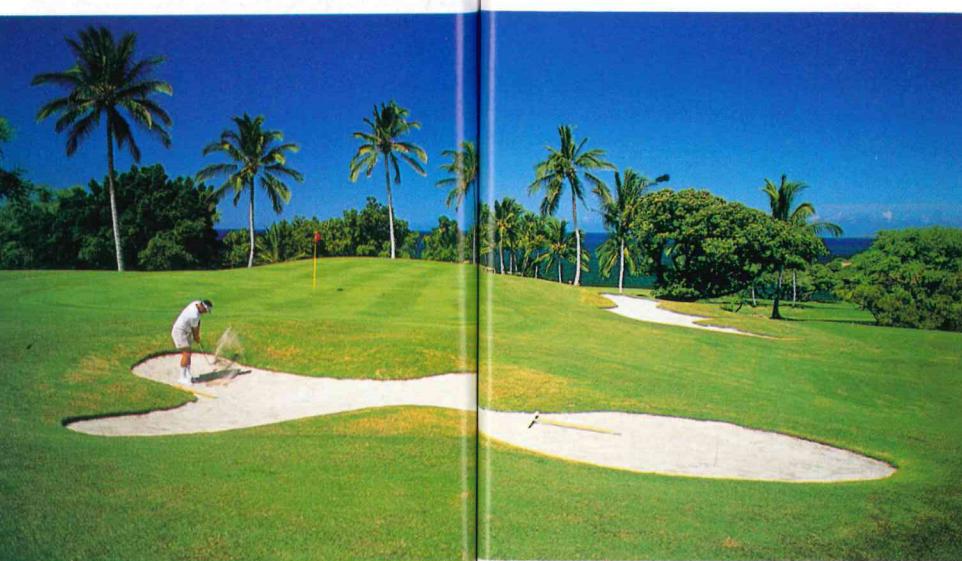
My most memorable experience this year wasn't associated with a competition, or, in the strictest of senses, even a sport. Instead, it was about the biggest game of all—the game of life.

In April, an assignment took me to the Four Seasons Resort Hualalai on the Big Island. I was covering Moku O Hawai'i Na Haumana Kēlō, a student sailing program designed to help "at risk" youths. Under the tutelage of crew members from the voyaging canoe *Makali'i*—a sister vessel to the famous *Hōkūle'a*—more than 150 young men and women from eight Big Island high schools had been learning the rudiments of sailing using ancient celestial navigation methods. They were also learning

### love sports.

They are, in my opinion, more than just fun and games—they are a reflection of life. In sports, as in life, there are goals set and strived for, and obstacles to overcome. In sports, as in life, there is a time to work as a team and a time to make our marks as individuals. In sports, as in life, much of what is accomplished is a result of sheer work and dedication as much as it is our God-given abilities.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Windsurfing at Ho'okipa Beach, Maui. Photo by Ron Dahlquist. Horseback riders watch visitors enjoy some splashy fun, Silver Falls Ranch, Kalihiwai, Kaua'i. Photo by David S. Boynton. Going for the green at the Mauna Kea Beach Golf Club, Kohala Coast, island of Hawai'i. Photo by Allan Seiden. PREVIOUS SPREAD: The historic voyaging canoe *Hōkūle'a* sails out from Honolulu, O'ahu. Photo by Monte Costa.





about their Hawaiian culture—its language, history and customs.

More importantly, according to the program's leaders, the students were learning about themselves, and the importance of teamwork, commitment and respect. In the process, they would gain something they had precious little of before joining Moku O Hawai'i Na Haumana Kēlō: hope.

From the moment I met them, it was clear that the program had already made a positive impact on the students. I had been warned that many of them were social outcasts, juvenile delinquents saddled with one problem or another. Many were from broken homes; many were battling drug problems.

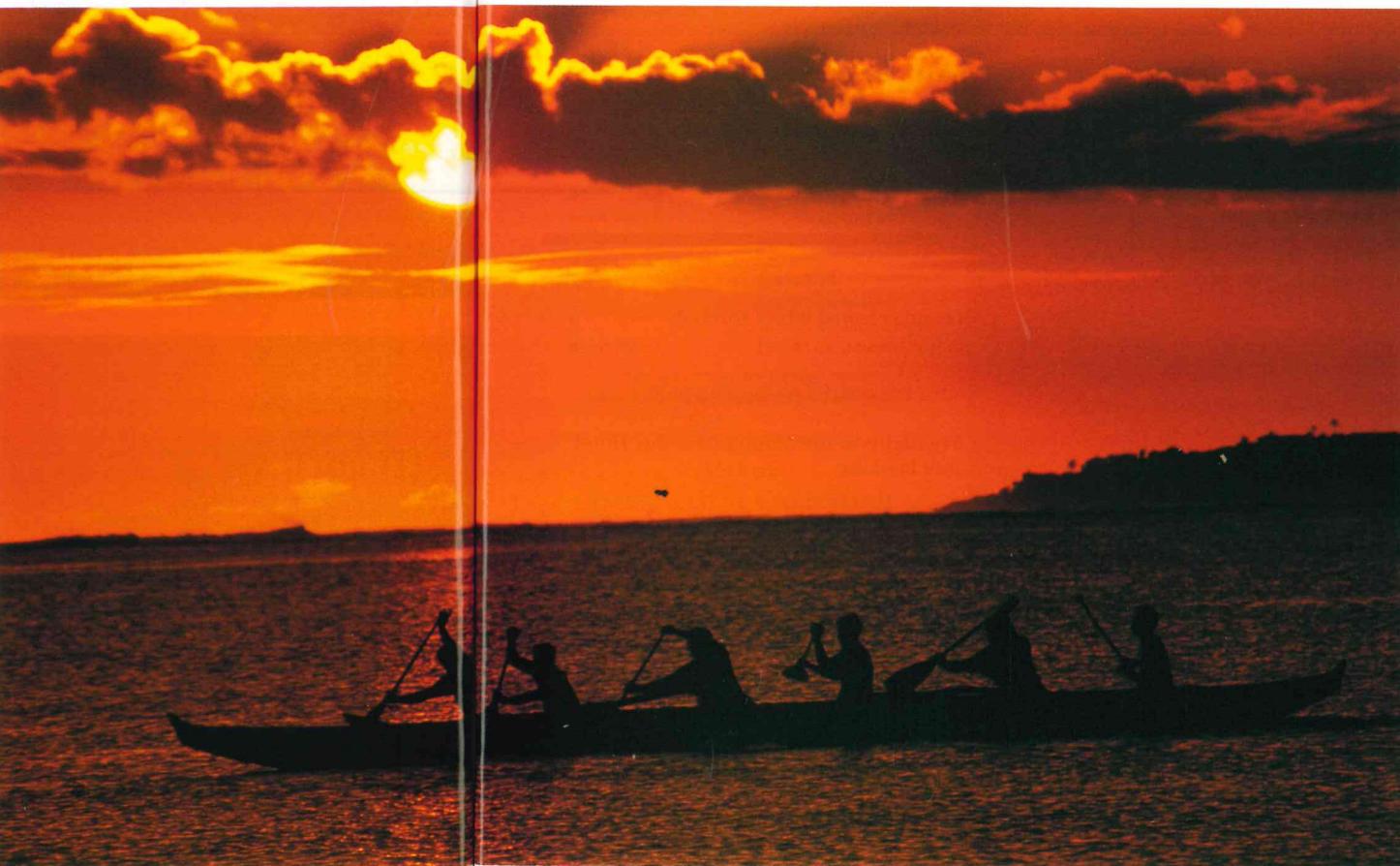
So I was surprised to see these kids walking around the resort's beach area—canoes anchored safely offshore—displaying ear-to-ear smiles and an aura of positivity. They spoke to me with enthusiasm. To each other, they offered heartfelt words of encouragement.

"I never expected myself to make it this far (in the program), but now it's a part of my life," beamed Ryan Stevens,

a Konawaena sophomore. "We are one 'ohana. We all work together, and it brings us closer every day. And from here, it's only going to get better!"

Nathan Grace, a big-bodied Hawaiian with an easygoing demeanor, noted, "I'd been looking for something (like this) to grasp onto, and now these people are like family to me. Everyone here treats each other with respect. You get to meet students from other schools and make a lot of friends. That's what I like about this."

I will never forget what happened the next morning as the sun began to rise, casting a golden glow on the *Makali'i* and *Hōkūle'a*. The calm ocean waters seemed to still be asleep, but on the beach, the students were already scurrying about, making final preparations for the day's sail to Kailua Bay. Given their troubled pasts, it was quite a sight: students eagerly going about their tasks, working in perfect harmony and cooperation. The campsite was broken down; food, water and other provisions were packed; crew leaders were going over the day's carefully planned agenda.



CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: Mountain bikers take in a sweeping view of Waimea Canyon, Kaua'i. Photo by Freas Frame Hawai'i. Canoe paddlers at sunset, Hawai'i Kai, O'ahu. Photo by Veronica Carmona. Frolicking under a waterfall, Princeville Ranch Stables, Princeville, Kaua'i. Photo by David S. Boynton.

"Good luck, *Makali'i*! *Hōkūle'a* loves you guys!" shouted Karina Enocencio, student captain for the *Hōkūle'a*. Her proclamation was met by cheers from both crews, followed by warm embraces all around.

Minutes later, the youngsters lifted the anchors and hoisted the sails, the bows of their canoes pointed south. "Fitting they should begin their sail in the morning," I thought, as I watched the *Makali'i* and *Hōkūle'a* glide away. Every morning represents a new day, a clean slate. And that's what Moku O Hawai'i Na Haumana Kēlō has provided for these young men and women.

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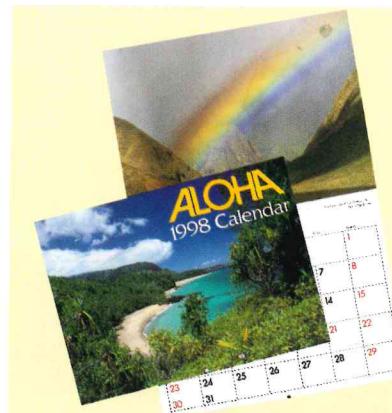
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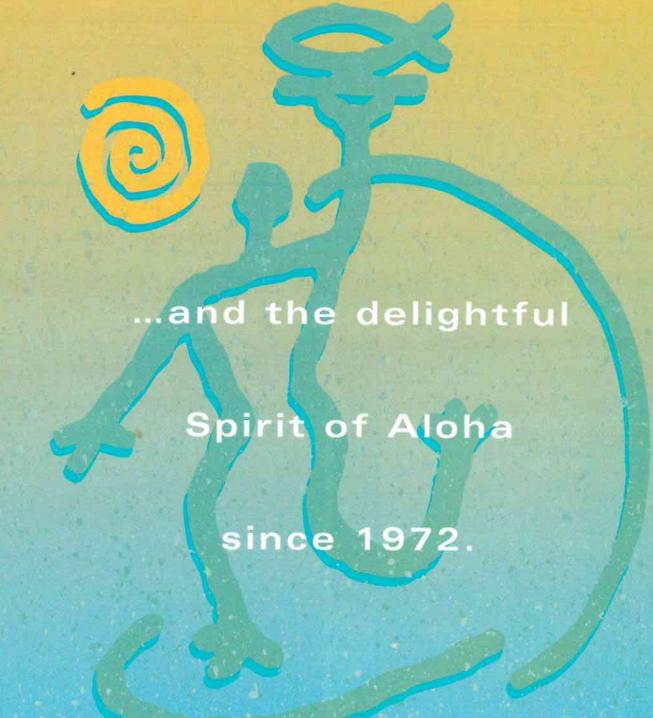
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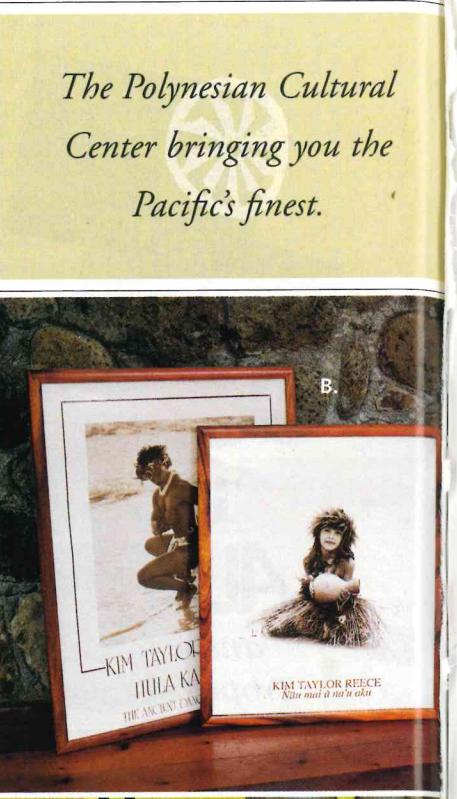
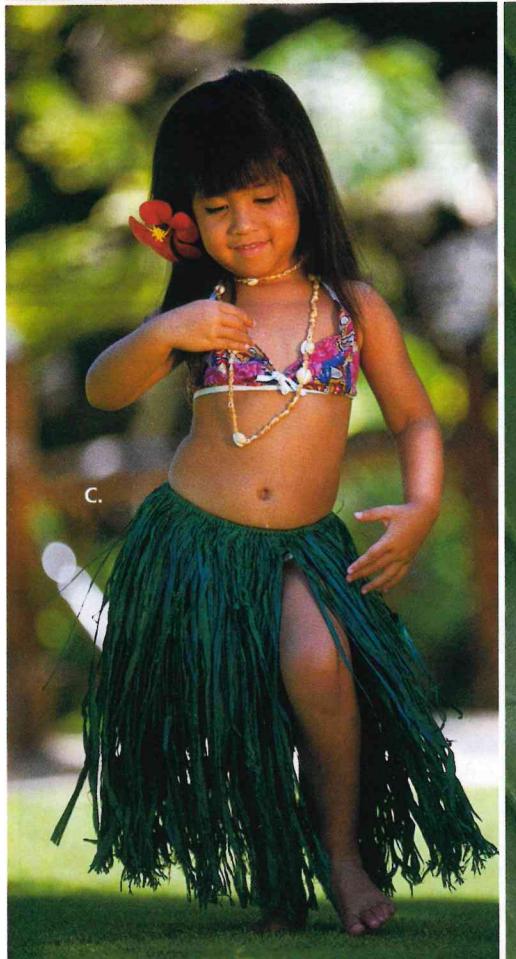
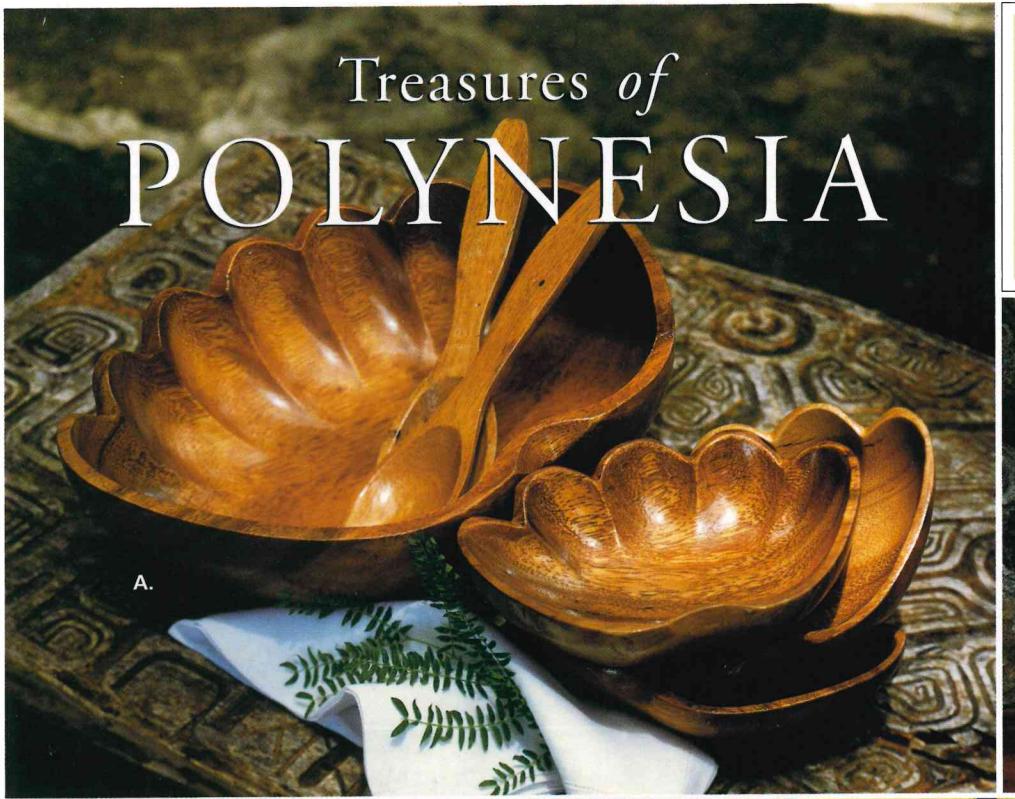
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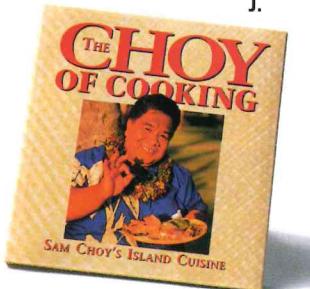
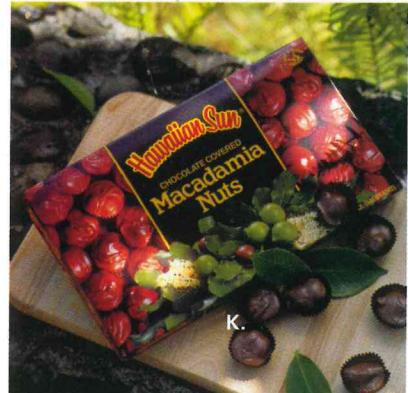
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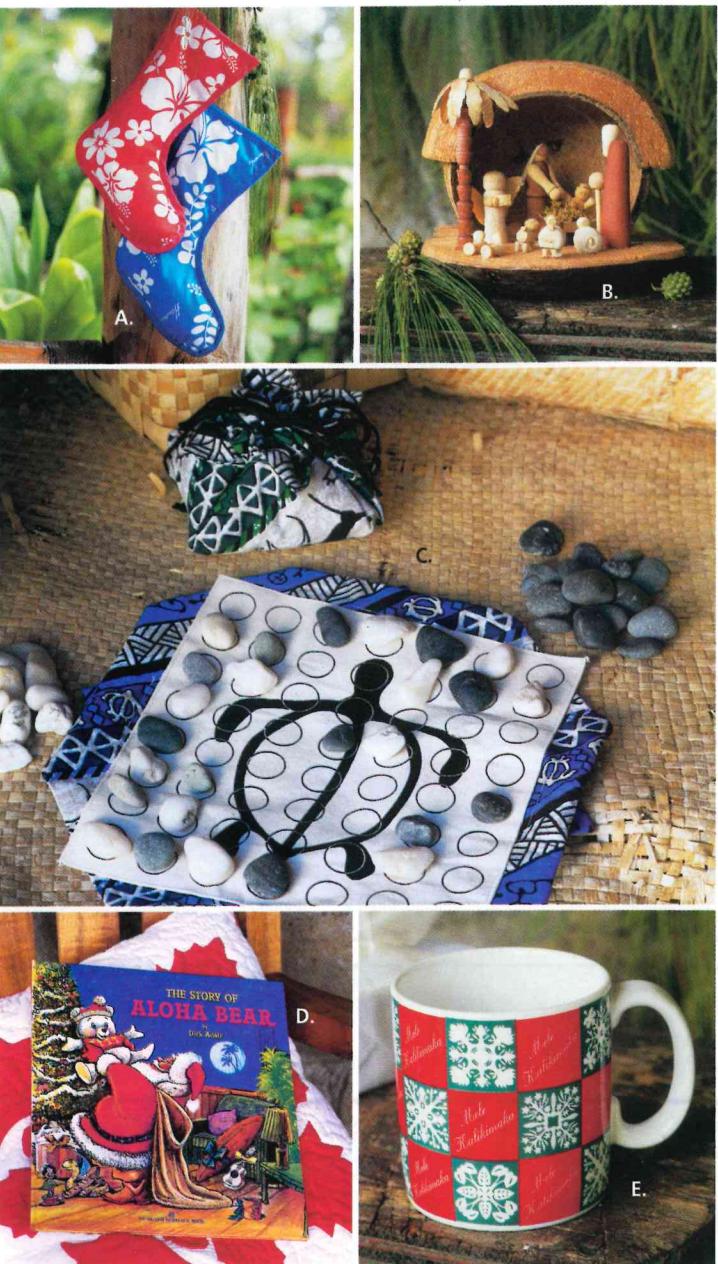
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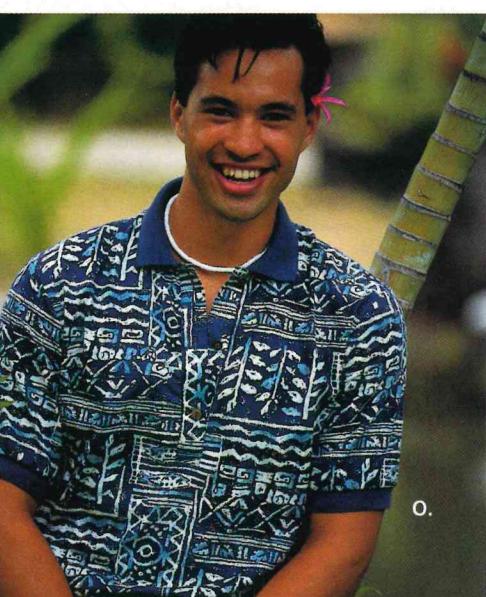
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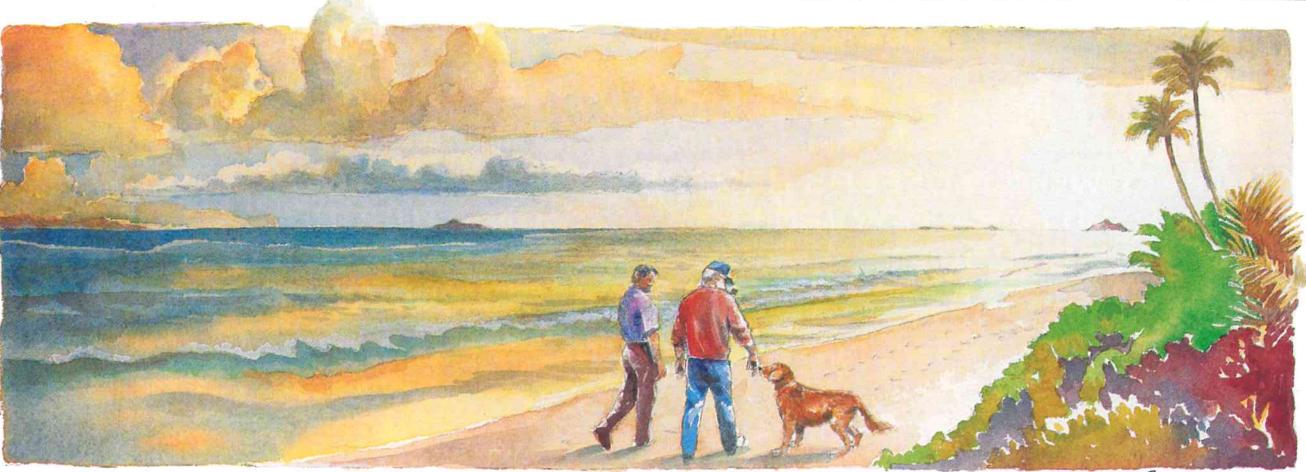


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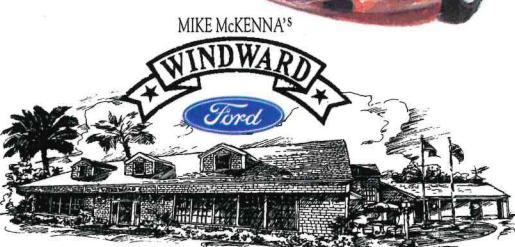
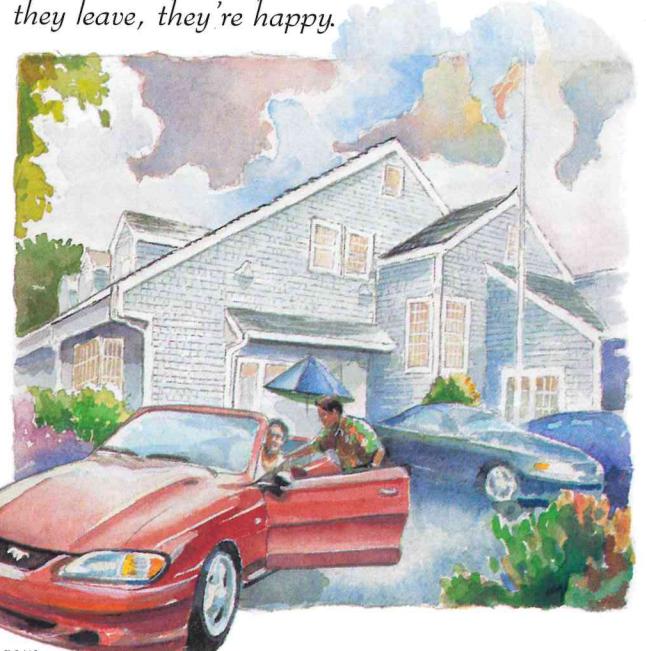


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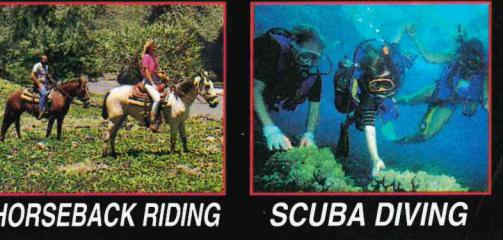
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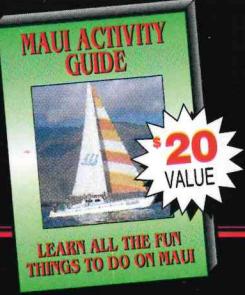


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TRESEMBLE (STRING AND WINDS), Lutheran Church of Honolulu, Honolulu, Oahu. A Chamber Music Hawaii'i "Candlelight Concert" featuring Baroque music. 7:30 P.M. Admission. 947-1975.

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ROYAL ALI'I BELL CHOIR, Fountain Courtyard, Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center, Waikiki, Oahu. Musical concert featuring the bell choir from Royal Elementary School. 4:30-5:15 P.M. Free. 922-0588.

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HAWAII NIKE FESTIVAL, Special Events Arena, University of Hawaii-Manoa, Manoa, Oahu. Collegiate basketball tournament featuring Texas Southern, Houston, Santa Clara and host Hawaii'i. 7 and 9 P.M. Admission. 956-4481.

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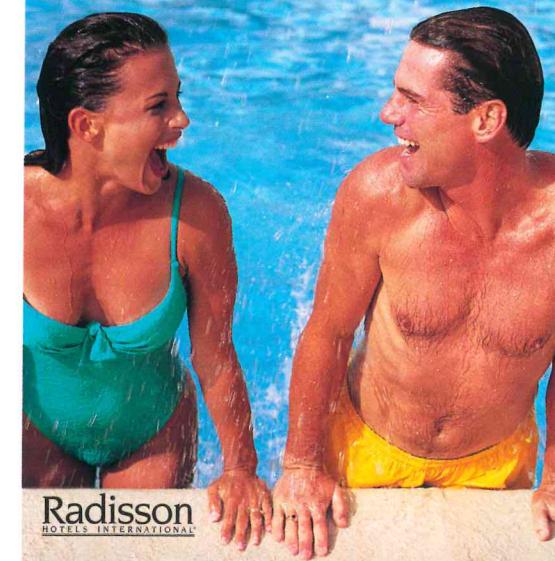
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JEEP ALOHA BOWL, Aloha Stadium, Halawa, Oahu. Annual postseason football game between two top Division I college teams. 10:30 A.M. Admission. 947-4141. Event to be televised on ABC.

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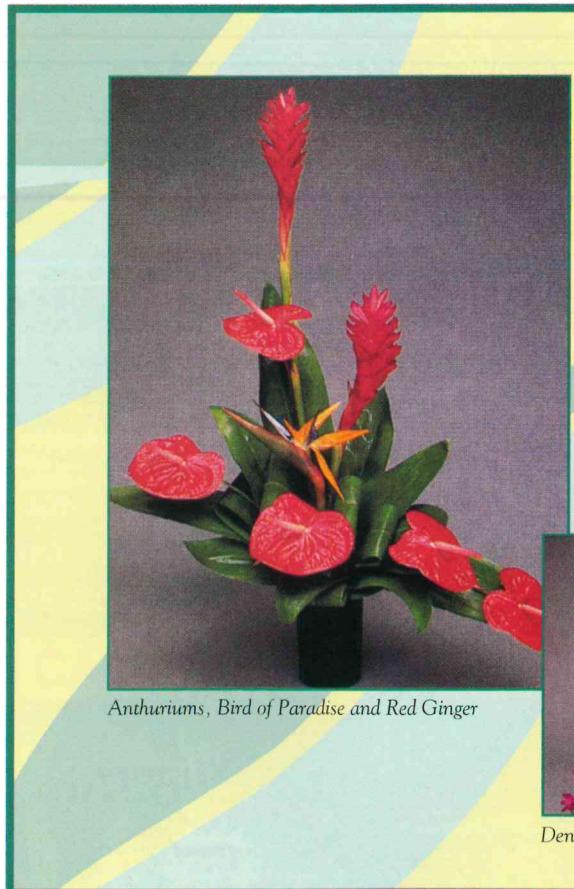
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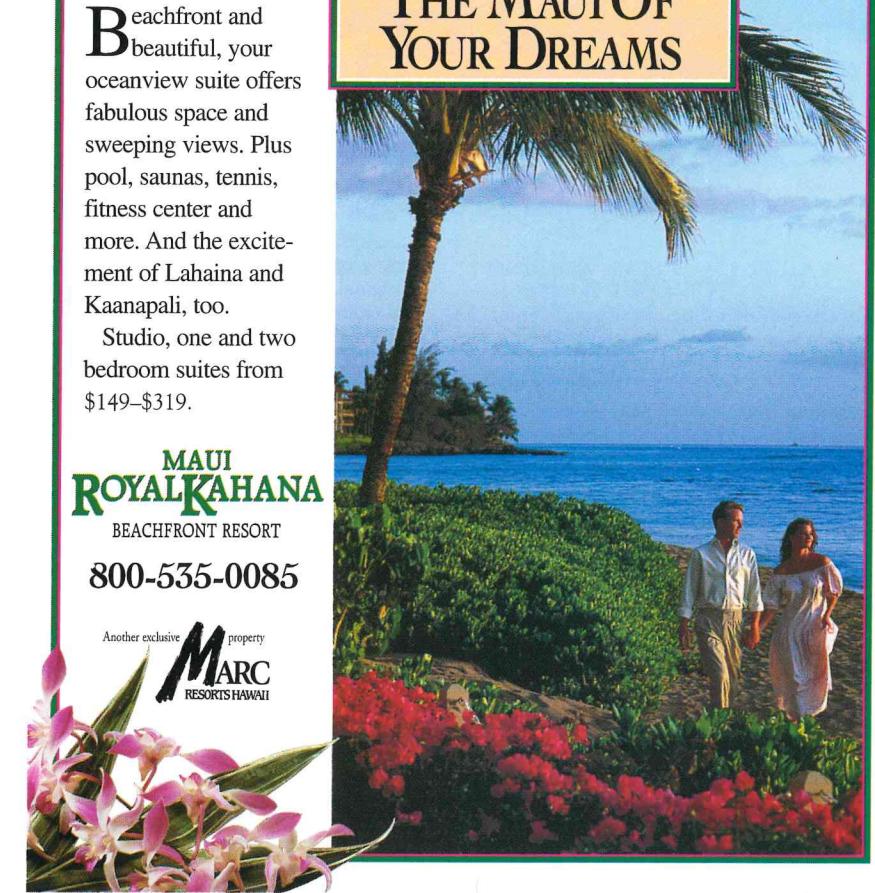
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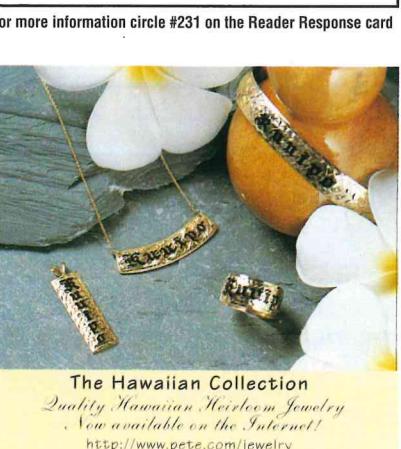


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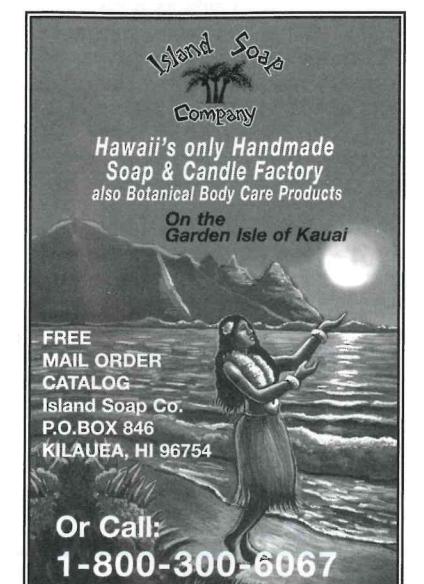
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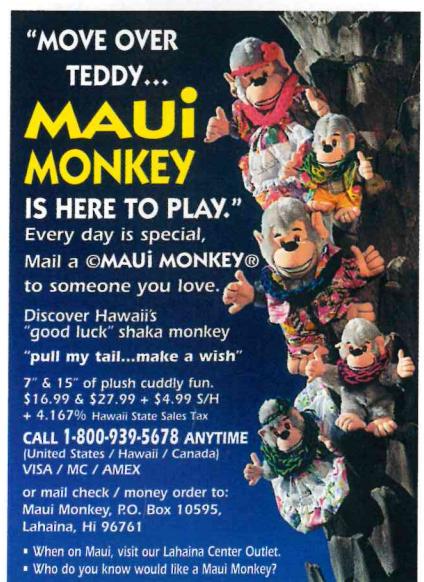
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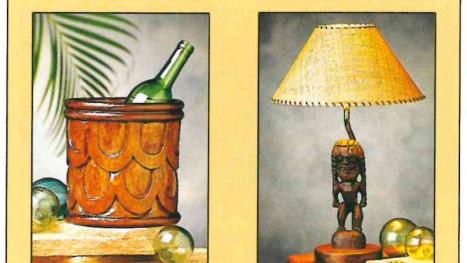
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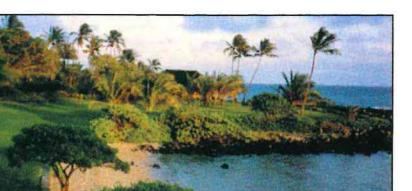
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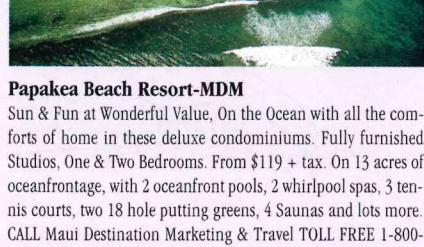
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## OH, HOW THE YEARS GO BY

The cassette was given to me by one of my editors, who compiled the music himself and titled it *Twenty Years of ALOHA*. "This should be interesting," I thought. I popped it into my tape player, pressed "play" and then settled in behind my desk for another long evening of catch-up work. On my desk was a tidy stack of proposals, inquiries, bills and other business matters—important stuff, but not exactly material for a future "Publishers Have More Fun" column. With a weary sigh, I punched up my computer and began clacking away at my keyboard.

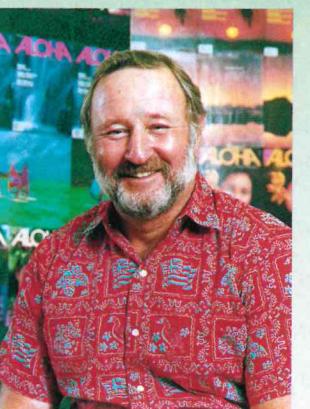
Then the song played.

"Oh, how the years go by  
Oh, how the love brings tears to my eyes  
All through the changes, the soul never dies  
We laugh, we fight, we cry  
As the years go by..."

I had never heard the song before (I admit I'm more in tune with Andy Williams than Vanessa Williams). The music was nice enough, but it was the lyrics that opened the floodgate of memories for me.

*Oh, how the years go by.* Has it been twenty years already? It seems like only yesterday that ALOHA made its debut, bringing the best of Hawai'i into homes across America and other parts of the world. I guess time does fly when you're having fun! Just think: twenty years ago, Jack Lord—"Steve McGarrett"—was still telling Dano to "book'em" on "Hawai'i Five-O." Hawai'i's annual visitor count was "only" 3.5 million (compared to 6.5 million today). And twenty years ago, if any Island hotel had a "web site," that meant a phone call to the exterminator! (Trivia question: who was the subject of the very first feature story in ALOHA's premiere issue? Answer: Don Ho.)

*Oh, how the love brings tears to my eyes.* I'll try not to get misty-eyed on you, but I think what makes ALOHA a special publi-



cation is the love for our Island home that goes into every issue. It's a passion equally shared by our staff and you, our readers. To each and every one of you, I extend my warmest and deepest mahalo. This one's for you.

*All through the changes...* Over the years, some very talented people have passed through our hallowed office halls, and this edition of ALOHA is dedicated to them as well. Change, we understand, is a fact of life. The latest change in our ALOHA family is one our long-time readers will want to know: Cheryl Chee Tsutsumi, our editor for the past ten years, has decided to move on to new challenges and ventures. We are extremely grateful for her efforts in helping ALOHA become the magazine of Hawai'i, and we wish her all the best. She will be greatly missed.

Even so, we look forward to even brighter days ahead. As the song goes, the soul never dies. As long as there are people (like you) who dream about Hawai'i and have a passion for all it offers, there will always be a place for ALOHA Magazine. We hope you enjoyed this commemorative edition. Here's to the next twenty years!

Aloha,

Rick Davis,  
Publisher

P.S.—I got so worked up about our twentieth anniversary that I almost forgot to wish you all a Mele Kalikimaka and Hau'oli Makahiki Hou! In fact, may I suggest that a subscription to ALOHA makes the perfect holiday gift for family and friends. More details can be found elsewhere in this issue!

Happy Holidays from the staff of ALOHA Magazine!

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